



NEWS BRIEFS

Crash hurts 4, 2 critically

Two people were badly hurt and two had minor injuries after a two-car crash Tuesday evening at the intersection of East Withlacoochee Trail and East Scott Lane.

Alice Marie Brown, 40, and James Brown, 15, of E. Nugget Pass Place, Dunnellon were transported to Shand's Hospital in Gainesville in critical condition.

According to a Florida Highway Patrol's (FHP) preliminary report, Alice Brown was driving in a 1997 Mazda 626 westbound on East Withlacoochee Trail and approaching East Scott Lane.

Juse reportedly swerved to avoid Brown, but was unsuccessful and the two vehicles collided with Juse's vehicle hitting the passenger side of Brown's car.

The crash remains under investigation, according to the FHP.

Man hurt in apartment fire

A man was injured in an early morning fire Wednesday at an apartment complex, according to the Citrus County Sheriff's Office Fire Rescue.

The fire was called into dispatch at 12:45 a.m. and fire rescue units from Homosassa and Connell Heights arrived at Garden View Terrace Apartments, 781 Gardenview Terrace, Crystal River, at 1:06 a.m.

Firefighters entered the apartment and found a small fire in one bedroom and found an injured man in another.

Katie Lucas of Nature Coast EMS said the man was transported to Seven Rivers Regional Medical Center.

A hospital spokeswoman said the man was in good condition Wednesday afternoon.

The cause of the fire is under investigation.

— From staff reports

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Libya attack might have been planned

Ambassador killing first in 30 years

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Obama administration, roiled by the first killing of a U.S. ambassador in more than 30 years, is investigating whether the assault on the U.S. Consulate in Libya was a planned terrorist strike to mark the anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks and not a spontaneous mob enraged over an anti-Islam YouTube video.

President Barack Obama declared in a White House appearance that the U.S. would "work with the Libyan government to bring to justice" those who killed Ambassador Chris Stevens and three other Americans.

The official spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to discuss the incident publicly.

The President of the United States has ordered all flags to be flown at half-staff from now until Sept. 16, as a mark of respect for the memory of John Christopher Stevens, United States Ambassador to Libya, and American personnel killed in the senseless attack on our diplomatic facility in Benghazi, Libya.



Chris Stevens U.S. ambassador killed in Libya.

gated, and we're working with the Libyan government to investigate the incident. I would not want to speculate on that at this time," he said.

The FBI was sending evidence teams to Libya, said a law enforcement official.

Analysts are working on several

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Raising (for) the roof



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Longtime Mt. Carmel Methodist Church member Alida Langley, left, and Cornerstone Baptist Church pastor Greg Kell are hoping to garner community support to fix up the Mt. Carmel Methodist Church in Floral City.

Small local church looks to faith, friendship to provide necessary repairs

NANCY KENNEDY Staff Writer

FLORAL CITY — Heading south through Floral City on U.S. 41, if you're not looking you might miss Mt. Carmel Methodist Church, just past the light at County Road 48, up a set off from the road on the right.

At one time, however, before the original 1903 building was torn down in 1967 and a smaller one built in 1969, this church once drew upwards of 400 people to

Sunday services.

Today, the church building is in disrepair and the congregation small in number — but still strong in faith. They've always believed that no matter what they needed, God would send them help.

Thanks to the generosity of the surrounding community, spear-



Florence Langley pastor of Mt. Carmel.

headed by Cornerstone Baptist Church, this little church is on its way to getting a much-needed makeover.

"When they replaced the old building, they took the trusses off, saved them and when they built this building they put those trusses up — and now they're over 100 years old," said the Rev. Greg Kell, Cornerstone's pastor.

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HOW YOU CAN HELP

For more information or to offer help, call Alida Langley at 352-726-1989 or Greg Kell at 352-725-7335. A trust has been set up at Brannen Bank. Make checks payable to Mt. Carmel Methodist Church of Floral City Inc., Building Fund. Donations can be made at any Brannen Bank branch.

Parent badgers board about Title IX policy

School district settled lawsuit involving daughters

MIKE WRIGHT Staff Writer

INVERNESS — A parent whose daughters settled a federal Title IX lawsuit against the Citrus County School District last month berated school board members on Tuesday who stopped just short of having him removed from the room by a sheriff's deputy.

Bill Bigge demanded to know the policy that calls for official response when someone complains about sexual harassment.

When board Chairwoman Linda Powers said the board doesn't respond to inquiries during public comment por-

tion of the meeting, Bigge pushed the issue.

"I'm asking a simple question. Can you answer that for me?" he said.

Bigge's daughters, Stacey and Kathryn Bigge, and another woman, Angelica Seaman, have tentatively settled a federal discrimination lawsuit against the school district. Though the board approved the agreement last month, it hasn't been approved yet by a federal judge.

The settlement calls for the district to pay the Bigge sisters and Seaman \$250,000 stemming from a 2009 complaint against a former Citrus High School soccer

coach. Assistant Superintendent of Schools Mike Mullen said \$130,000 of the settlement will pay the plaintiff's attorneys.

None of the settlement will come from the school district's funds. Risk Manager Dave Stephens said the district's insurance company will pay both the settlement and the district's legal fees. He said the insurance company recommended a settlement.

Bigge alleged in December 2008 that coach Joseph Castorina made sexually offensive remarks to his daughter, a junior varsity

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Legal tiff over dog show nearly settled

PAT FAHERTY Chronicle

Dogged by a lingering legal battle, the Inverness Kennel Club broke from the pack and will host its own Hernando County dog show.

Last year the club filed a lawsuit against the corporation and individuals who hosted the Florida Classic Clusters Winter Dog Show. The annual January event took place in Hernando County and, according to VisitFlorida.com, was the state's largest dog show.

The lawsuit challenged the distribution of dog show revenues and cites numerous financial discrepancies. Complicating the issue is Inverness Kennel Club's 25-percent

shareholder stake in Florida Classic Park Inc., one of the defendants.

Attorney Kevin Dixon, representing the Inverness Kennel Club, said the lawsuit is still pending with some procedural action expected Sept. 18. He described the lawsuit as an accounting action that will come down to a battle by experts.

He said what is going on right now is that the other three shareholders have decided to move to the Ocala Dog Park. "Not being in Hernando will be a substantial impact, with a loss of \$1 million to \$1.5 million to that county."

The winter dog show had been held near

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Brooksville for more than a decade. Instead, the Tampa Bay Kennel Club, the Clearwater Kennel Club and the Pasco Florida Kennel Club will hold the show in Marion County, along with the Manatee Kennel Club.

"They are trying to punish Inverness by doing this," said Dixon.

Suzanne Madieros, secretary of the Inverness Kennel Club, said the details are still pending, but at its Tuesday night meeting the club decided to host its own event with back-to-back dog shows next year at the Hernando County Fairgrounds. The club has about 42 members.

"Not everything is finalized," she said. "The other clubs are hooked into going to Ocala, but we want to support the local businesses that have supported us."

"The plans are to have the winter show with Clearwater, Tampa Bay, Pasco and Manatee shows at the Ocala grounds," said Daniel Stolz, who, along with Mary Manning, is a defendant in the lawsuit. The suit also lists them as officers and directors of the Tampa Bay Kennel Club, the Clearwater Kennel Club and Florida Classic Park.

"I'd like for it to be settled," said Stolz about the lawsuit. "It has caused a lot of trouble and created a terrible rift."

# LIBYA

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different scenarios based on intelligence that could lead to a motive for the attack. Some concern the possibility of targeting high-ranking officials, according to a law enforcement official briefed on the investigation. But none of the intelligence has suggested terrorists would specifically target Stevens, said the official, who also spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to speak publicly about the investigation.

The attack in Libya, which came hours after a mob stormed the U.S. Embassy in Cairo and tore down the U.S. flag, was presumed to have been triggered by a movie, whose trailer has gone viral on YouTube, depicting the Islamic prophet Muhammad in disrespectful ways. In an extraordinary move, Gen. Martin Dempsey, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, called anti-Islamic preacher Terry Jones and asked him to stop promoting the film. A spokeswoman said the church would not show the film Wednesday evening.

"Make no mistake. Justice will be done," a somber Obama pledged at the White House, Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton at his side.

He ordered increased security at U.S. diplomatic missions overseas, particularly in Libya, and said he condemned "in the strongest possible terms the outrageous and shocking" attack. Clinton said she was particularly appalled that the attack took place in Benghazi, which the U.S. had helped liberate from dictator Moammar Gadhafi during the Arab Spring revolution in Libya last year.

Three Americans were wounded, U.S. officials said. The aftermath of the two attacks also stirred the U.S. presidential campaign, where until Wednesday, foreign policy had taken a backseat to the struggling economy.

The Republican nominee, Mitt Romney, criticized the administration for statements issued before and after the Cairo attacks that expressed sympathy for those insulted by the video.

"I also believe the administration was wrong to stand by a statement sympathizing

with those who had breached our embassy in Egypt instead of condemning their actions," Romney told a morning news conference. "It's never too early for the United States government to condemn attacks on Americans and to defend our values."

Obama said later that Romney "seems to have a tendency to shoot first and aim later."

Obama and Clinton made a rare joint visit to the State Department, where grieving colleagues of Stevens and the other three Americans killed in Benghazi gathered in a courtyard. The president also ordered U.S. flags to be flown at half-staff at government and military buildings and vessels around the world until sunset Sept. 16. Flags had already been lowered in many places to commemorate the victims of the 9/11 attacks.

Clinton denounced those who might kill over an insulting movie.

"There is no justification

for this," Clinton said. "None. Violence like this is no way to honor religion or faith and as long as there are those who would take innocent life in the name of God, the world will never know a true and lasting peace."

Underscoring the administration's frustration, Clinton wondered aloud about the attack in Benghazi, which Gadhafi had once threatened to destroy.

"This is not easy," she said. "Today, many Americans are asking, indeed I asked myself, how could this happen? How could this happen in a country we helped liberate, in a city we helped save from destruction? This question reflects just how complicated and, at times, just how confounding, the world can be."

"But we must be clear-eyed in our grief," she said, saying the attack was carried out by a "small and savage group" not representative of the Libyan people. She noted that Libyan security

guards had tried to fight off the attackers, had carried Stevens' body to the hospital and led other consulate employees to safety.

Stevens, a 52-year-old career diplomat, was killed after he became separated from other American officials during the consulate attack. It's unclear when he died. He was taken by Libyans to a hospital, and his remains were delivered hours later to U.S. officials at the Benghazi airport.

Stevens is the first U.S. ambassador to be killed in an attack since 1979, when Ambassador Adolph Dubs was killed in Afghanistan.

Three other Americans were also killed and the State Department identified one of them as Sean Smith, an Air Force veteran who had worked as an information management officer for 10 years in posts such as Brussels, Baghdad and Pretoria. Smith was also well-known in the video game community.

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**Republican Club of Citrus Ridge meets**

The Republican Club of Citrus Ridge meets at 7 p.m. today at Skeet's Family Barbeque Restaurant at 3887 N. Lecanto Hwy.

The program will include state Rep. Jimmie T. Smith, who is running for re-election, and well as Citrus County Property Appraiser Geoff Greene, who will discuss property tax rates and upcoming amendments regarding property taxes.

**Voters urged to update registration**

Florida's next statewide election is the presidential general election on Nov. 6, two months away.

Citrus County Supervisor of Elections Susan Gill encourages voters to do some housekeeping on their voter registration record — or to register if not already registered — without the rush of an election just around the corner.

Has your address change? Have you moved here from another county or state? Has your name changed? Has your signature changed? Want a party affiliation change?

Those who think their signature has changed, for whatever reason, should check it out with the elections office. That may be done by mail or in person. The voter registration application can be used for changes in signature, address, name, party affiliation, or to register to vote.

Call 352-341-6740 to request a mail ballot or visit the elections office website at [www.votecitrus.com](http://www.votecitrus.com).

**Tallahassee**

**Nuke costs to be decided Nov. 20**

The state Public Service Commission on Tuesday finished hearing testimony about requests by Florida Power & Light and Progress Energy Florida to pass along about \$300 million in nuclear-project costs to customers in 2013.

The PSC is scheduled to rule on the requests Nov. 20. FPL is seeking \$151.5 million to cover costs related to upgrading already-existing plants in Miami-Dade and St. Lucie counties and initial work on two potential new reactors in Miami-Dade. Progress is seeking about \$145 million related to upgrades at an existing plant at Crystal River and two potential new reactors in Levy County.

—From staff and wire reports

**Clarification**

Readers have asked the *Chronicle* to publish all the fees involved in the 2010 Citrus County/City of Crystal River Wastewater Special Assessment District — Areas 112 and 113 in addition to the assessment of \$2,310.06, reported in Wednesday's edition.

The plumbing connection permit will cost \$100. Plumber tie-in to system will cost up to \$700. The Crystal River expansion fee will be \$3,425, or \$36.33 per month for 10 years. The Crystal River connection fee will be \$125. Environmental health septic tank permit will be \$50. The septic company abandonment service will cost up to \$1,200.

**Correction**

Market Day at Heritage Village is always the second Saturday of each month. A different day was published in Claire Laxton's column in the Wednesday, Sept. 12, *Crystal River Current*.

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**Man faces child porn charges**

**A.B. SIDIBE**  
*Staff Writer*

A 60-year-old man reportedly conceded culpability in child porn charges even before a search warrant was executed, according to the Citrus County Sheriff's Office.

John Morgan Ethridge, N. Blazingstar Way, Beverly Hills, is facing 17 counts of possession of photo, video, etc. with sexual conduct by child and three counts of

promoting sexual performance by a child. He was arrested Tuesday and his bond is \$95,000.

According to the arrest affidavit, while investigators were reading Ethridge and his wife a search warrant, he interrupted by admitting he downloaded child porn and that he was going to jail. Ethridge reportedly began taking off his jewelry

in preparation. He was read his rights and decided to talk to investigators.

Ethridge told officers he has been downloading child porn for the past few years and pointed to where to find all the files he had stored.

Investigators found out Ethridge's Internet Protocol or IP address was downloading the child

porn, which led them to his doorstep.

Ethridge's computer files (videos and images) depicted children, some as young as infants, engaged in sexual acts either with other children or with adults.

Ethridge reportedly used folder names like "book" and "scan" on his personal computer or external hard drive to mask his activities. He also reportedly told investigators he would use

search terms such as PTHC, SPDA, NAMBLA and STICKAM to get his files.

In Ethridge's "book" folder investigators found more than 100 videos of child porn.

Ethridge was arrested and transported to the Citrus County Detention facility.

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**John Ethridge**

**Lecanto High School gets \$50,000 donation**



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

April Phillips speaks with Lecanto High School Principal Jeff Davis on Tuesday after she read a letter from her father-in-law, Larry Phillips, who donated \$50,000 to the school because of the excellent care shown his grandchildren and other students. The money will be used to outfit a lab with kitchen and laundry items to teach basic life skills to students; provide special equipment to the athletic department; and upgrade the school's sound system. The remainder of the money will be used at the discretion of the administration.

**TPO ranks toll road top of list**

**CHRIS VAN ORMER**  
*Staff Writer*

After hearing conflicting opinions from two advisory groups on Wednesday, the board that must put its road-work wish list before the state this month stayed on course with placing the extension of the Suncoast Parkway highest.

The Citrus County Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) board took reports from its advisers, the Citizens Advisory Committee and the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and heard public input before deciding to adopt the five-year project list recommended by the latter group.

Hearing first from the CAC, its chairwoman, Beverly Clemo, told the board her committee decided to move Suncoast Parkway 2 from No. 1 to No. 8, but that it was not a unanimous agreement.

Board member Cabot McBride, an Inverness councilman, asked for an explanation for moving the

parkway extension down the list.

CAC member John Wade said he had two reasons for the recommendation.

"One is: Suncoast Parkway is being investigated by the Florida Turnpike Authority and the study will be ongoing at least until the spring. There isn't any known outcome as to whether the road will be viable," Wade said. "The second reason is the way the money comes from the Turnpike Authority and not from FDOT (Florida Department of Transportation) directly. I realize the Turnpike Authority is part of FDOT. We're not saying that the toll road is not an important project. But the five of us who voted for the change are saying why not put that off until the study is finished and see if there's any money available from the Turnpike Authority? That does not then influence the board's recommendation for the use of the money that's available for the projects that will help

Citrus County at the moment."

Board member Rebecca Bays, a county commissioner, responded: "If we don't make it No. 1, they won't take us seriously."

FDOT representative Lee Royal was asked to comment. She said the TPO needed to make its list to advise the state.

"The funding will come to your priorities," Royal said. "We are looking for your No. 1, 2, 3 priorities regardless of whose jurisdiction it falls under."

TPO Chairman Ron Kitchen, a Crystal River councilman, asked Bob Clifford, TPO consultant in management services, whether the TPO had a system to reconcile the different opinions of the advisory groups.

"I think what we want to be careful of is that we disregard the rankings," Kitchen said. "If the CAC says one thing and the TAC says another, we don't want to get to where we just listen to one and not the other."

Kitchen also asked Clifford about ranking the parkway extension.

"Let's say it's rated No. 1 and it's \$800 million to build. And item 2 is \$2 million," Kitchen said. "Does that mean until we get \$800 million, none of our goals will be met?"

No, Clifford responded. Then he first addressed Kitchen's first question about reconciling the conflicting recommendations.

"It's not atypical," Clifford said. "It's ultimately the board's determination."

The FDOT would figure out the program, Clifford said, but just needed the TPO's priority list. The spending program rested on several factors: How much money is available and the phases of projects. Phases include design, acquiring right of way and construction.

"They'll match up the money with the phases with the timing, and if they are unable to do the first priority, they'll go to the second or the third and down the list," Clifford said. "If we keep

this list consistent over the next four or five years, you'll see various projects from different phases and you may see a No. 5 project funded for construction before the No. 3 project, as an example, if the money fits. They look at it as: Tell us the priorities and give us the flexibility, recognizing we need continuing projects in the pipeline."

David Burnell, Crystal River public works director, presented the TAC recommendations. He said placing the parkway extension as No. 1 would not have an effect on the rest of the list.

"In looking at that project, the potential positive economic impact to the community in the long term is very significant," Burrell said.

After discussion, the board was unanimous in its decision to adopt a list topped by the parkway extension.

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**Property tax amendments on ballot**

*The News Service of Florida*

TALLAHASSEE—Florida voters in November will face a flurry of proposed amendments to reduce property tax levies for groups ranging from first-time homebuyers to disabled veterans, while preventing increases on those whose homes lose value.

Approved by the Legislature in 2011, several constitutional measures, led by Amendment 4, lump together a series of tax breaks

that expand homestead exemptions for targeted groups. They also provide additional Save our Homes-like protections for commercial and non-residential property owners.

Economists say the four property tax amendments on the Nov. 6 ballot would reduce local taxes by nearly \$2 billion over the next four years.

The main proposal is Amendment 4, which would prevent property assessments from going up when

the value of the property goes down. Currently, property tax assessments are governed by the Save Our Homes law, which allows for assessments to go up only by as much as 3 percent a year, but has no mechanism for preventing an increase when the actual value declines.

Though the actual values of many Florida homes have dropped in the last few years, many homes' assessed values are still well below the actual value of the prop-

erty. That's because for years the real values increased by much more than 3 percent a year while assessment increases were capped.

While Amendment 4 has drawn most of the attention, three other tax amendments will also face voters in November: Unlike Amendment 4, the other proposed changes have not prompted much criticism, largely because they will not significantly reduce local revenues. They are:

■ Amendment 2: The pro-

posal would provide an additional \$25,000 homestead exemption to a disabled veteran or a dependent.

■ Amendment 9: The proposal would provide an additional \$25,000 homestead exemption for the surviving spouse of a deceased military veteran or first responder.

■ Amendment 11: The proposal would offer an additional \$25,000 exemption for residents 65 and older whose income is less than \$25,000 a year.



**Johnson 'Buddy' Savary, 83**

Sarasota lost one of its most distinguished and beloved members of the community early on Sunday morning, Sept. 9. Johnson Sidney "Buddy" Savary passed away quietly at his home following a lengthy battle with pancreatic cancer and pulmonary fibrosis.

Johnson Savary

Buddy Savary was born on Dec. 12, 1928, in Inverness, Fla. He graduated from Citrus High School, attended the University of Florida and graduated with a Bachelor of Science in accounting in 1950. While in Inverness he met and later married his loving wife of 58 years, Mary Russell Tarr. Following service in the U.S. Army, he earned a law degree from the University of Florida in Jan. 1956.

He initially began what was to become an accomplished legal career in Sarasota as a defense and general litigation attorney. During the 1960s, he practiced law briefly in Inverness and Fort Myers, and in 1965, moved back to Sarasota to stay. He ultimately served as president of the Sarasota County Bar Association and became a senior partner at the Kirk Pinkerton Law Firm in Sarasota, which eventually merged to become part of the 270-member national law firm of Dykema Gossett. He was a senior partner at Dykema Gossett and selected to be a member of the firm's six-person executive committee.

During his expansive

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legal career, Buddy litigated and argued hundreds of cases in both state and federal courts, including before the United States Supreme Court. He was widely respected among practicing attorneys and judges alike, and earned a reputation of not only being a superb advocate for his clients, but an example of dignity, honor and civility, bestowing great credit upon his profession. It was no surprise that Sen. Connie Mack asked him to serve on his Federal Judiciary Screening and Nominating Committee, responsible for reviewing and recommending potential presidential nominees for the federal bench.

In 1993, Buddy joined the Sarasota law firm, Abel Band, and practiced "Of Counsel" during his latter years in the areas of estate planning, estate and trust litigation, estate mediation and real estate law. He became a circuit court certified mediator in 1994 and mediated and resolved numerous estate, trust and real estate matters. In June 2006, he was honored by the Florida Bar for more than 50 years of practicing law. As a veteran attorney, Buddy took great pleasure in mentoring young lawyers entering the legal profession and served as a role model of integrity for all fortunate enough to have worked with him.

He was a proud Gator alumnus of the University of Florida. He was actively involved and supported the university throughout his entire life, serving on the board of the UF Foundation from 1978 to 1991 and again from 1993 until his death. During that time, he served as chairman of the Real Es-

tate Committee, a member of the Executive Committee and a member of the Major Gifts Committee. Buddy also served as a trustee emeritus of the University's Levin College of Law and funded and established a scholarship endowment for financially disadvantaged UF Law students. An honorary member of Florida Blue Key and a member of Phi Delta Theta, Buddy was a Bull Gator and also a former director of Gator Boosters and the Alumni Association. Through his endless generosity, he also created an endowment fund designed to support the Gator baseball program, granting educational scholarships to these young athletes.

He was recognized as a compassionate and generous benefactor of numerous charitable, civic and social organizations in the Sarasota Community. He served as elder at the Church of the Palms Presbyterian Church, a former trustee of the Church of the Palms Foundation as well as serving as a former Chairman of the Trustees of the West Florida Presbytery. He was a board member and former chairman of the Sarasota Memorial Hospital Foundation, board member and vice president of Tidewell Hospice of Southwest Florida, trustee of Eckerd College Foundation, director of the Sarasota United Way Foundation, director of the Sarasota Kiwanis Club, a former director of The Argus Foundation, an active member of the Old Timers Group of the Sarasota County Bar Association and director of the Sarasota Chamber of Commerce.

Also an avid Gator football fan, outdoorsman, hunter and fisherman, Buddy will be remembered as a loving husband, devoted father and a man of faith who was a friend to everyone he met. Although he will be greatly missed by all who knew him, the impact he has left on numerous lives will endure for many, many years to come.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Savary; two sons, Joseph Sidney Savary II, and Johnson Sidney Savary Jr.; two daughters, Mary Elizabeth Savary Taylor (Robert) and Laura Savary Rees (Brett). He is also survived by 10 grandchildren: Emily Savary, Russell Savary, Lillian Savary, Kate Taylor, Lauren Taylor, Jordan Taylor, Matt Taylor (Teri), Jack Rees, Sydney Rees and Alyson Rees. In addition, he is also survived by several cousins, nieces and nephews. His beloved four-legged friend, Bull Gator, predeceased him.

Services will be held at 3 p.m. Friday, Sept. 14, at The Church of the Palms, 3224 Bee Ridge Road, Sarasota. The "Old Timers" group of the Sarasota County Bar Association will serve as honorary pallbearers. In lieu of flowers, donations may be

made to The Church of The Palms Foundation, 3224 Bee Ridge Road, Sarasota, FL 34239; The Pines of Sarasota Foundation, 1501 North Orange Avenue, Sarasota, FL 34236; or the University of Florida, Levin College of Law Foundation, 2500 S.W. 2nd Ave., Gainesville, FL 32611. Toale Brothers Funeral Homes, Colonial Chapel, is handling the arrangements.

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**Verta Boyd, 77**  
CRYSTAL RIVER

Verta Boyd, 77, of Crystal River, passed away Monday, Sept. 10, 2012, at the Hospice House of Citrus County in Lecanto, Fla. She was born Feb. 23, 1935, in Haleyville, Ala. She had lived in Lakeland, Fla., before returning here four years ago. She was a retired receptionist for the Watson Clinic. She was a past president of the Crystal River Junior Women's Club and a loving

wife, mother and grandmother. She attended the Crystal River Church of God.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Ira and Tressie Wilkes, and two sons, Reginald and Michael. She is survived by her husband of 58 years, Thomas L. Boyd of Crystal River; son, Tim Boyd (Sophia) of Indiantonic; daughter, Kay Townsend (John) of Inglis; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The funeral service will be conducted at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 14, at Strickland Funeral Home Chapel in Crystal River with the Rev. Steve Boyd presiding. Interment will follow at Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Beverly Hills. Friends and family will gather in visitation from 1 p.m. until service time. Arrangements are under the care of Strickland Funeral Home with crematory, Crystal River.

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How To Read The Market In Review

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HOW TO READ THE MUTUAL FUND TABLES

Here are the 1,000 biggest mutual funds listed on Nasdaq. Tables show the fund name, sell price or Net Asset Value (NAV) and daily net change.

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Stocks rise, investors wait

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The stock market edged higher Wednesday after a court cleared the way for Germany to participate in a European rescue fund.

The highest court in Germany ruled the country could contribute to Europe's \$640 billion rescue fund to help indebted governments.

The issue was "more speed bump than hurdle," Dan Greenhaus, chief global strategist at the brokerage BTIG, told clients.

The Dow Jones industrial average climbed 9.99 points to close at 13,333.35, a four-year closing high.

The ruling helped push Germany's main stock index, the DAX, to its highest level since July of last year.

When the Fed wraps up its meeting Thursday, investors and economists expect it to announce new steps to stimulate economic growth.

Many investors are banking the Fed will commit to buying more bonds and extend its pledge to keep short-term interest rates near zero until 2015.

"Everyone is expecting the Fed to put the pedal to the metal," said Jack Ablin, chief investment officer at Harris Private Bank in Chicago.

Market watch

Table showing market indices: Dow Jones (+9.99), Nasdaq composite (+9.78), Standard & Poor's 500 (+3.00), Russell 2000 (+3.13), NYSE diary (Advanced: 1,930, Declined: 1,081, Unchanged: 113).

DEATHS

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Brian Stepp, 39

ANDERSON, S. C. Brian Stephen Stepp, 39, of 108 Brookwood Court, Anderson, S.C., passed away on Saturday, Sept. 8, 2012, at the Cleveland Clinic.

Brian was the son of Kenneth Stephenson Stepp of Kentucky and the late Linda Ann Watts. He was a graduate of Anderson College, having two degrees, one in biology and one in psychology.

Patricia Ezzell, 56

CRYSTAL RIVER Patricia Ezzell, 56, of Crystal River, passed away peacefully at home, Sept. 6, 2012, with family at her side.

She was born in Ocala, Fla., in 1955, the daughter of Ezra and Juanita Varnadore. Patricia met her husband, Peter Ezzell, in high school and they married in 1974.

In addition to his mother, he was preceded in death by a brother, Mark Gregory Stepp; and his grandmother, Dorothy Jean Watts.

A memorial service will be held at the family's convenience. The family is at the residence.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to LifePoint Organ and Tissue Donation Services of South Carolina, 3950 Faber Place Drive, Suite 400, Charleston, S.C. 29405.

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Ablin was skeptical that the Fed would begin another bond-buying program.

Zachary, 29, Katie, 24, and Natalie, 17. In addition to her children, husband and mother, she is survived by her brother, Wade Varnadore, of Ocala, Fla. She was preceded in death by her father and brother, Larry.

A family gathering to honor her life will be held. Memorial donations may be made to Hospice of Citrus County for the compassionate care and support their staff extended to Patricia and her family. Cremation handled by Florida Cremation, Ocala.

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Nicholas Yuzzi Jr., 80

HOMOSSASSA Nicholas Yuzzi Jr., 80, of Homosassa, died Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2012.

Arrangements entrusted to Wilder Funeral Home.

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# Imperiled waterways demand an alert public

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Toward this end, a committee of diverse organizations was forged with the common goal of conserving and preserving our treasured waters to annually focus public attention and discussion on the water issues of today and the water challenges of tomorrow.

As in previous years, the week of activities from Sept. 14 to Sept. 22 kicks off Saturday with the adopt-a-shore/international coastal cleanup. From Monday

through Thursday of next week, thanks to the generous support of local eco-businesses and wildlife officials, free boat and kayak tours are available so that the public can experience firsthand this year's theme of "Water — Naturally Yours — Come Explore!"

Residents are encouraged to take advantage of these free tours to explore the natural beauty of our waters and the habitats they sustain so that they can gain a renewed appreciation as to why our waters constitute our greatest asset.

An appreciation of our waters is more important today than ever before, given the current shortsighted policy trend threatening to transform our waters from our greatest asset into our greatest tragedy.

Under the banner of economic development and job creation, the Legislature has neutered the state's landmark growth management act. If that isn't worrisome enough, legislation on the horizon for next year's legislative session promises further threats to our waters.

Among the pieces of legislation being proposed are bills restricting local government

fertilizer ordinances, extending the length of some water-use permits to 30 years, repealing a ban starting in 2016 on spreading septic tank waste on land and establishing a statewide water quality credit trading system.

Locally, our waters have regrettably taken a step back. A recent Southwest Florida Water Management District study found the Homosassa River to be "essentially void of vegetation and fish." The salinity of our coastal waters has ebbed further inland, and the proposed minimum flow levels that would allow water withdrawals from our spring-fed rivers pose irreparable harm.

Despite past efforts to preserve our greatest asset, the current policy trend is inexorably pushing the quality of our waters to the tipping point. Given this sad state of affairs, county residents are urged to not only experience our greatest asset firsthand during Save Our Waters Week, but to also be vigilant in standing up for them before they are lost forever.

**THE ISSUE:**

Save Our Waters Week.

**OUR OPINION:**

Our greatest asset is at a tipping point.

**GET INVOLVED**

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**Nothing new**

To the person who (called) "Manage trips" into the Sound Off about the convention's funding: They were saying the president is spending his money flying his dog and his family on vacation in a 747. You should have complained years ago, because all the presidents have done the same thing.

**What would Lincoln do?**

Remember the old TV ad with the Indian crying because of all the trash in our country? Color me crazy, but I'm tired of seeing that Indian cry. Can anyone picture

Osceola, Abraham Lincoln or even Forrest Gump throwing litter on the side of the road? I didn't think so. Let's pull together and pick up our own trash, clean up our yards and roadways and make this a better place to live. While I'm at it, let's hold politicians to the same standard. Let it be known to Republicans and Democrats that they will lose their jobs if they can't learn to talk civilly to each other, stop the negative ads and work together to find solutions to our problems. The deficit can be lowered and Social Security and Medicare can be saved without making them useless to our heirs. Just do it.



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 Henry Ward Beecher, "Proverbs from Plymouth Pulpit," 1887

## Charlie Crist's next political act

Charlie Crist has been called an idealist, a turncoat, an opportunist and, more important, the Democratic Party's best hope of a Florida comeback two years from now.

Mostly, though, he is a walking, talking Rorschach test. What you see is not what's there — but what you project there. And Crist is a master of making you see what he thinks you'll like.

Paraphrasing, in reverse, President Reagan's reasoning for switching parties, Crist told Democratic National Convention delegates last week in Charlotte he didn't leave the Republican Party, it left him. This from a man who once proudly described himself as a Reagan Republican — pro-life, pro-gun and "about as conservative as you can get."

Embracing President Obama, physically and politically, was the start of Crist's divorce from the GOP in 2009 and the beginning of his debut as the likely Democratic nominee for governor in 2014. But though he would never admit it, there are probably some things he'd do differently if he could time-travel as far back as 2006.

As a Pinellas County state senator, Crist became known as "Chain Gang Charlie" for advocating prison road-work crews wearing manacles. He chaired a Senate committee that investigated the "dirty tricks" automated phone calls employed by Gov. Lawton Chiles' re-election campaign in 1994. He ran a cheerful but hopeless campaign against Sen. Bob Graham in 1998 and was rewarded with a two-year sinecure in the Department of Business and Professional Regulation. That led to easy election wins as education commissioner, then attorney general.

After becoming governor, though, Crist showed signs of not hewing to the ever-rightward-moving party line. He hosted a global-warming conference with Arnold Schwarzenegger and Robert F. Kennedy Jr. And he advocated the restoration of voting rights for convicted felons, who mostly vote for Democrats.

He campaigned for John McCain like a loyal soldier, though the political lifelines of Charlie Crist and the Republican Party were beginning to diverge. While the GOP became more influenced by tea partiers, Crist accepted federal stimulus money and welcomed President Obama with open arms. The next year, that hug became the defining symbol in Crist's primary race against Marco Rubio to succeed U.S. Sen. Mel Martinez.

Crist's appointment of Jim Greer to head the Republican Party of Florida was an early warning of the approaching fork in the road. Former Chairwoman Carol Jean Jordan would have been re-elected if only eight state committee members had defied the new governor. Later, Greer was also forced out, but that's another story.

When Martinez quit the Senate early, Crist appointed his long-time campaign "maestro," George LeMieux, and later announced his own candidacy for the following term. He set early fundraising records and looked unstoppable until another danger sign appeared, little noticed at the time. A series of "straw ballots" by county executive committees and GOP clubs began trumpeting Rubio, who rapidly rose in the polls.

Still nominally a Republican, Crist vetoed a sweeping education

bill — earning the love of teacher unions that are a mainstay of the Democratic Party — then called a special session to forever ban offshore oil drilling, an effort that fizzled in a matter of minutes. While legislative leaders were aborting his special session, Crist was rallying on the Capitol steps with mainly Democratic environmental activists.

His final break with the party, and his independent candidacy for the U.S. Senate, came as no surprise at the end of the 2010 session. And even when he lost the race, nobody thought we'd heard the last of Charlie Crist.

Two Sundays ago, he wrote an endorsement of Obama in his hometown paper, the *Tampa Bay Times*. Then the Democrats announced Crist would speak in Charlotte last week. But as the networks cut to commercials and sidebar fluff stories, Crist did not use the national platform to complete his conversion and declare himself a Democrat.

That's the next act. State Sen. Nan Rich, D-Weston, has already announced her candidacy, and other Democrats also would like to run. They were toiling in the vineyards — raising the money, recruiting the candidates, smiling bravely through the defeats — while Crist was riding high on the other side.

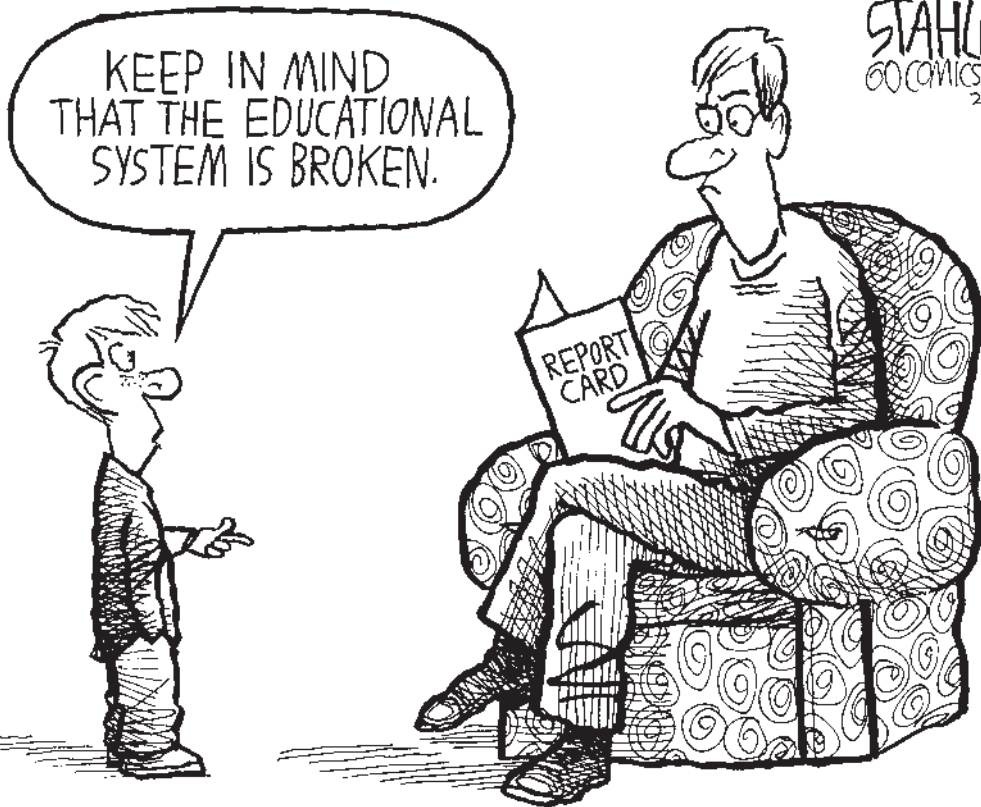
Crist's change of heart seems conveniently timed. It's not as if, when he was 30 points ahead of Rubio in the polls, he told fellow Republicans, "Hey, wait a minute, you guys are too extreme for me."

But Crist has got something better than sincerity. He has a chance of winning his old job back.

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Bill Cotterell  
**FLORIDA VOICES**



LETTERS to the Editor

**Touching tale**

Kathy Dobronyi's comment on her childhood is the most poignant I have seen in a letter. I have written that the unborn are mourned, but no one mourns the thousands in prison who should not have been born. For someone to revive horrific memories in the hope of saving others from that fate is courageous.

When I became aware of Planned Parenthood, I was impressed by how apt the name is. Planning to parent implies loving a child and working to assure its future. We are sickened by reports of children who are starved, beaten, molested, abandoned, sometimes killed. These innocents aren't the result of planned parenting. We are unhappy that the feckless are so fecked and saddened by the religious right's role as enablers.

A zygote, product of the union of sperm and ova, isn't sacred. We have no idea how many are constantly flushed away naturally. All living creatures are programmed to reproduce. Our most closely related primates have few offspring and nurture for years. Why model our reproduction on the rodents whose offspring are expendable?

Kathy is a very rare individual who survived the unspeakable,

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rose above it and became a productive, compassionate person. But she is in the minority. Many children who had bad childhoods now occupy institutions and cemeteries.

Mary B. Gregory  
 Homosassa

**Signs of pride**

About a year ago, the Crystal River City Council approved a historic marker program to showcase some of the rich history Crystal River has to offer residents and visitors alike.

Signs are already in place at the historic train depot and the entrance to the the Crystal Street Historic Oak Canopy. Others are in the works, and we believe the pride we have in our city's past will be a draw for tourism.

A lot of work by a lot of people has gone into this program, and I would like to thank them.

Thanks to: Dee Atkins, who worked countless hours over the course of the year; John Grannon of the Citrus County Historical Society, who did the research and wrote the text; Crystal River City Manager Andy Houston; Bruce Cowles, Chris Cowles and Karen Ginda from Sandpiper Signs; Stephanie Price; members of the Lions Club, especially Steve Friedrichs; and Laura Lou Fitzpatrick and her family. Thanks also to the *Chronicle* for the great coverage!

Jim Farley  
 Crystal River



## CHURCH

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won't meet current hurricane guidelines."

Several years ago, the roof started leaking. Recently, they had to put a blue tarp up to keep the rain out, but the damage has been done.

Longtime church member Alida Langley said the trusses were most likely hand-hewn.

The plan is to replace the entire roof, including the trusses, and bring the air conditioning and heating system up to date and the electrical wiring up to code.

"The last time it was re-roofed was in 1992," Langley said.

Langley's roots in this church are as deep as the oaks that line nearby Orange Avenue. Her grandfather, A.W. Williams, and grandmother, Alida Williams, founded the church in 1903 during the phosphate mining boom. Her mother and father were born and raised in the church and so was she.

Her daughter, Florence Langley, serves as church pastor.

"When they tore down the old church, that was devastating to me," she said.

They saved the bell from the bell tower, which is mounted outside of the



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

The roof is one of many things that need to be repaired at the small church on U.S. 41 in Floral City. Other things such as wiring need to be addressed, too.

"new" church and the tin from the church's roof is now the roof of the small fellowship hall.

Langley said that over the years whenever the church needed help, help just showed up without anyone having to ask.

"We've been a small, faithful group of people who always believed that God will look out for us, and he always has," she said. "I remember when we were building this church. My

mom worked for the Morris family out on Duval Island. They sent for her one day and they gave her a cigar box that had \$1,700, which is exactly what was needed to put the wall up."

The money came from a number of churches and people in the area.

"The first benches we had came from the Catholic church and the pews we have now came from First Baptist Church," she said. "So, people have always

helped us when we needed it."

Several years ago on Labor Day, the members of Cornerstone church in Inverness had a community service day and a team of people went to help out at Mt. Carmel doing some cleanup projects.

"That began the relationship, and why we're here today — it's all about relationship," Kell said. "The real goal is to get others involved, to create a commu-

nity-wide project. We can start with Alida's church, but maybe next year we'll help someplace else in the community — it doesn't have to be a church that needs help."

Langley said for her birthday this year she had a "crazy idea." She sent let-

ters to family and friends, inviting them to her church on the third Sunday of July and for them to bring a donation for a new roof.

Even before her birthday, someone anonymously gave \$1,000. At the church service, people came with their \$100 checks and \$50 checks. By the end of July, the church had \$2,000.

Kell said it will take about \$25,000 to do all the repairs needed to make the church safe and bring the building up to code.

"Here's a Bible verse for you," he said. "'To whom much is given, much is required.' We want to appeal to those who have much. None of us can do this alone, but together, I know we could — and I know this will happen."

For more information or to offer help, call Alida Langley at 352-726-1989 or Greg Kell at 352-725-7335. A trust has been set up at Brannen Bank. Make checks payable to Mt. Carmel Methodist Church of Floral City Inc., Building Fund. Donations can be made at any Brannen Bank branch.

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## BOARD

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soccer player, and then intimidated her after learning of the allegations. School files are not clear which of Bigge's daughters were in school at the time.

He claimed Castorina and the school district violated the Title IX federal law requiring equal access to athletics for females.

Bigge also alleged other wrongdoing, including that Castorina used foul language and chewed tobacco during practice.

The district investigated by asking players to answer written questions about the allegations. It concluded the

district did nothing wrong on the Title IX allegation, and Superintendent of Schools Sandra "Sam" Himmel reprimanded Castorina for using foul language and chewing tobacco.

A month after the reprimand, Castorina and an assistant coach alerted administrators that Bigge lived in Sumter County and was using a Citrus County post office box so that his children would attend Citrus County schools. The coaches said the incident could force the school to forfeit games for using illegally zoned players.

As a result of that allegations, the girls, once they reached legal age, sued the school district claiming it retaliated against them for

complaining about Castorina's conduct.

Nearly all the school officials involved in the allegations no longer work for the district. Castorina resigned in November after pleading guilty in August 2011 to federal charges of selling weapons without a license.

Mullen and Stephens said Wednesday the settlement does not indicate the district is admitting to any wrongdoing.

"We're not apologizing for anything we did," Stephens said. "We regret the fact we were in court and those young ladies perceived an injustice occurred against them."

Bigge demanded answers from the school board about the process for answering complaints of sexual harass-

ment. At the suggestion of board attorney Wes Bradshaw, they provided no answers. Powers suggested Bigge meet with district administrators to discuss the issue.

Bigge interrupted her. "Mrs. Powers will you be quiet and let me finish!" he said.

Powers asked Bigge to step away from the lectern or be escorted out of the room by a sheriff's deputy. Bigge at first refused, and then district staffers turned off his microphone.

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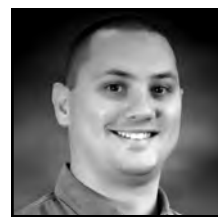
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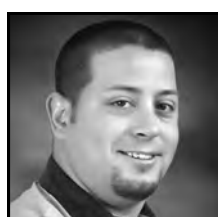
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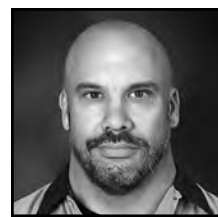
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**A sergeant with the North Carolina Highway Patrol posts flags along the entrance to Englewood Baptist Church in Rocky Mount, N.C., on Wednesday before the funeral of Bobby Gene Demuth Jr. Demuth was struck and killed Saturday morning near Spring Hope. Raleigh Police Department officers had tried to stop a 1995 Nissan 200SX on U.S. 64 eastbound in Wake County. When the chase continued into Nash County, authorities say Demuth was struck and killed as he tried to deploy stop sticks. A 40-year-old man from Williamston was taken into custody. Demuth was a 12-year veteran stationed in Rocky Mount.**

**Docs: Ban on soda could help**

NEW YORK — Health officials are expected to approve an unprecedented 16-ounce limit on sodas and other sugary drinks sold at restaurants, delis and movie theaters in New York City.

Doctors and experts said the regulation's success may depend on more than just the modest number of calories it might slash from people's diets.

It will hinge on whether the rule changes attitudes toward overeating.

**World BRIEFS**

**Arrested**



**A resident wails outside her house Wednesday after her husband was picked up by police for allegedly participating in a protest against the Kudankulam Atomic Power Project at Kudankulam, about 440 miles south of Chennai, Tamil Nadu state, India. One person was killed Monday after police fired at protestors demonstrating against the loading of nuclear fuel in the Russian-built reactor. Construction of the plant has been delayed by protests in the past year by residents and anti-nuclear groups concerned about safety following the Fukushima nuclear power plant disaster in Japan last year.**

**Cuba condemns attack in Libya**

HAVANA — Cuba has condemned a deadly attack on a U.S. diplomatic mission in Libya.

The Foreign Ministry statement is a rare show of solidarity with the island's Cold War enemy to the north, particularly concerning a part of the world where their differences could not be greater.

Cuban President Raul Castro and his brother, Fidel, were staunch allies of Libyan strongman Moammar Gadhafi and deplored the NATO-supported uprising that toppled him.

The Foreign Ministry's statement condemns the attack in Benghazi, Libya, that killed the U.S. ambassador and three other Americans. It said violence against diplomats is not justified "anywhere, or under any circumstances."

—From wire reports

**Chicago teachers' strike continues**

Associated Press

Public exchanges between striking Chicago teachers and the school district grew more personal Wednesday as negotiators returned to the bargaining table on the walk-out's third day.

A top district negotiator, Barbara Byrd-Bennett, criticized teachers union President Karen Lewis for using the word "silly" when describing the negotiations to a crowd of adoring teachers a day earlier.

"It is not silly that we spent over 10 hours yesterday attempting to bridge the gap," Byrd-Bennett said before the talks resumed. "We take these negotiations incredibly serious."

The strike has canceled classes for more than 350,000 students.

Union officials continued to play down the chances of a quick resolution to the dispute, which centers on the teacher evaluation process and a policy on rehiring



**Children holding posters supporting striking teachers join a large group of public school teachers Wednesday as they march on streets surrounding John Marshall Metropolitan High School in West Chicago.**

Associated Press

teachers who have been laid off. The district said it had presented the union with a new comprehensive proposal Tuesday and was demanding either a response in writing or a comprehensive counter-proposal.

"It's going to take time to work things out," Lewis said.

Mayor Rahm Emanuel, commenting on the strike after a City Council meeting, pushed again for a quick conclusion to the talks, saying the final issues could be resolved with the children back in school. Nevertheless, he said, district officials were arranging for children to receive more computer access at drop-off schools so they can spend time learning as the strike goes on.

On Tuesday, officials in the country's third-largest school district announced that, beginning Thursday, the 147 drop-off centers

where students can get free breakfast and a morning of supervision will be open six hours a day rather than four.

As teachers walk the picket lines, they have been joined by parents who are scrambling to find a place for children to pass the time or for baby sitters. Mothers and fathers — some with their kids in tow — are marching with the teachers. Other parents are honking their encouragement from cars or planting yard signs that announce their support in English and Spanish.

Unions are still hallowed organizations in much of Chicago, and the teachers union holds a special place of honor in many households where children often grow up to join the same police, firefighter or trade unions as their parents and grandparents.

**Workers killed in two Pakistani factory fires**



**People gather Wednesday at the site of a burnt garment factory in Karachi, Pakistan. Pakistani officials said the death toll from devastating factory fires that broke out in two major cities has risen to 128. Hospital official Tariq Kaleem said the fire at a garment factory in the southern Pakistani city of Karachi killed 103 people. A blaze at a shoe factory in the eastern city of Lahore killed 25 people.**

Associated Press

**US poverty rate unchanged; record numbers persist**

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The nation's poverty rate remained stuck at a record level last year, while household income dropped and the number of people who don't have health insurance declined.

A Census Bureau report released Wednesday provided a mixed picture of the economic well-being of U.S. households for 2011 as the nation enters the final phase of a presidential election campaign in which the economy is the No. 1 issue.

The overall poverty rate stood at 15 percent, statistically unchanged from the 15.1 percent rate in the previous year. Experts had expected a rise in the poverty rate for the fourth straight year, but unemployment benefits and modest job gains helped stave that off, the bureau reported. For last year, the official poverty line was an annual income of \$23,021 for a family of four.

While unemployment eased slightly from 2010 to 2011, the gap between rich and poor increased. The median, or midpoint,

household income was \$50,054, 1.5 percent lower than 2010 and a second straight annual decline.

In a blog post, the White House said the latest figures show government policies can help the poor, middle class and uninsured, while more work remains to be done.

"While we have made progress digging our way out of the worst economic crisis since the Great Depression, too many families are still struggling and Congress must act on the policies President Obama has put forward to strengthen the middle class and those trying to get into it," the White House post said.

At a fundraising event in Jacksonville, Fla., Obama's GOP rival for the White House, Mitt Romney, said the president "is the candidate that's pushed the middle class into poverty. We're the party of those who want a brighter, prosperous future for themselves and for their kids. We're not the party of the rich. We're the party of the people who want to get rich."

By total numbers, roughly 46.2 million people remained below the

poverty line last year, unchanged from 2010. That figure was the highest in the more than half a century that records have been kept. The 15 percent poverty rate was about the same as it was in 1993 and was the highest since 1983.

Broken down by state, New Mexico had the highest share of poor people, at 22.2 percent, according to rough calculations by the Census Bureau. It was followed by Louisiana, the District of Columbia, South Carolina, Arkansas and Georgia. On the other end of the scale, New Hampshire had the lowest, at 7.6 percent.

Bruce D. Meyer, an economist at the University of Chicago, said it was disappointing poverty levels did not improve. He described it as a sign of lingering problems in the labor market, even with recent declines in the unemployment rate.

"The drop in the unemployment rate has been due in significant part to workers leaving the labor force, because they are discouraged, back in school, taking care of family or other reasons," he said.

**Is North Korea experimenting with change?**

Associated Press

PYONGYANG, North Korea — Deep in the North Korean countryside, in remote villages that outsiders seldom reach, farmers are now said to be given nearly one-third of their harvests to sell at market prices. Collective farms are reportedly being reorganized into something closer to family farms. State propagandists are expounding the glories of change under the country's new young leader.

In the rigidly planned economy of this Stalinist state, could this be the first flicker of reform?

A string of long-doubtful observers have become increasingly convinced economic change is afoot, akin to China's first flirtations with market reforms 30 years ago.

But, they also warn, exactly what is happening remains a mystery.

No outsiders are known to have been to the villages, in Ryanggang province, since the new policies reportedly went into effect. No

outsiders have seen the details of the June 28 government order — "On the Establishing of a New Economic Management System in Our Own Style" — that supposedly launched the program. Other reported reforms, from shifts in investment laws to new industrial profit-sharing regulations, are even more opaque.

Still, there are undeniable signs the world's most closed-off society may be toying with change, from a carefully scripted campaign to soften the image of the country's young leader, Kim Jong Un, to the apparent purging of a hardline general and a series of often-cryptic official statements hinting Pyongyang is serious about liberalizing its economy.

"My gut sense is that something is changing," said Marcus Noland of the Washington, D.C.-based Peterson Institute for International Economics and a leading scholar on the North Korean economy. Kim Jong Un "is trying to do something new."

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## College athletes ROUNDUP

C.J. RISAK  
 Correspondent

### Antoin Scriven

Scriven (Citrus High School), a junior running back at Western Michigan University, scored a fourth-quarter touchdown Saturday in the Broncos 52-21 thumping of Eastern Illinois in Kalamazoo, Mich. The win evened WMU's record at 1-1 overall; the Broncos lost 24-7 at Illinois Sept. 1.

The 5-foot-11, 216-pound Scriven scored from a yard out midway through the final period against Eastern Illinois. It was the seventh rushing touchdown of his career, which includes four starts. Scriven has totaled 131 yards on the ground in 48 carries, a 2.7 average, in his career and has 12 pass receptions for 68 yards (5.7 per catch average) with one TD. Against Eastern Illinois, he had one carry for one yard and one reception for minus one yard.

### Carleigh Williams

Williams (Lecanto High School) remains a major contributor to the nationally-ranked Central Florida women's soccer squad. The sophomore defender, who was named to the Conference USA All-Freshmen Team after last season, has started all seven matches this season, which have resulted in a 5-1-1 record with four shutouts. The eighth-ranked Knights' only loss was by a 1-0 score at home against Florida State on Aug. 24.

They also battled sixth-ranked Boston College to a 2-2 draw Friday in Boston. UCF scored twice in the second half to earn the tie.

UCF has posted wins at South Florida, 3-1 Aug. 17; at Florida Gulf Coast, 4-0 Aug. 19; at home against Miami, 1-0 Aug. 26; at home against Dartmouth in the UCF Tournament, 2-0 Aug. 31; and at home against Georgia in the UCF Tournament, 1-0 in overtime Sept. 2.

### Zack Fagan, Jesse Alves

Fagan (Citrus High School) and Alves (Crystal River High School) are both members of the Northwood University men's soccer team, which has won two of its first three matches. The Seahawks, playing in the NAA's Sun Conference, won at Montreat (N.C.) 1-0 in overtime Aug. 27, then lost 4-3 at Mobile (Ala.) Sept. 1. Northwood rebounded from that loss to post a 2-1 win at William Carey on Sept. 2 in Gulfport, Ms.

Alves is a sophomore forward and Fagan is a sophomore defender for the Seahawks, whose internationally-dominated team features five players from Florida and 20 from countries ranging from Brazil to Sweden and England.

### Kylie Fagan

Fagan (Citrus High School), a freshman member of the St. Leo University women's cross country

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## Local high school preview

# County swim teams works in progress



Chronicle file photo

**A Crystal River swimmer competes in a meet against Citrus in 2011. The 2012 high school swimming season is already underway for the Pirates, Hurricanes and Lecanto Panthers.**

LARRY BUGG  
 Correspondent

This is not Bill Wells' first rodeo. The veteran coach has 20 years of coaching and is going into his second year as head coach of the Crystal River High boys and girls swimming team.

Wells does not get excited very easily but he can see there are some absolute "maybes" doing their laps at the Bicentennial Park swimming pool.

"We'll see," Wells said. "We lost a few. We have a lot of new swimmers. We are starting off from scratch. It takes a lot of time to develop.

Dylan Earnhart showed promise

as a freshman. Last year, he reached the regional meet and placed in the consolation finals. He competes in the 200 IM and the 100 Fly. He can swim anything and may be the top swimmer in the county this year, male or female.

"He has been working pretty hard in the off season," Wells said. "I expect he is ready to have another stellar year."

Abby Brown will be a senior. She set a school record in the 500 and the 200 freestyle. She was injured at the beginning of the year.

"She seems very healthy and better than last year because of the injury," the coach said. "She is the team captain and we are expecting big things if she can focus."

Crystal River's Hunter Earnhart is leaner and more fit. He does the 100 fly, and the 500 freestyle.

Reece Sisto will swim the 200 IM and the 100 Breast. He is a junior.

Marissa Penn is a senior and will swim the 50 Free and the 100 Breast.

Jordan Collins is a sophomore and will do backstroke, the 100 butterfly and the sprint free style.

Wells knows who the old sheriff is in Citrus County high school swimming.

"I think Lecanto is always good," he said. "They are the big team around the county. They have loaded teams. That's the team that

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# Final at-bat blues



Associated Press

**Baltimore Orioles' Chris Davis, center, carries Nate McLouth on Wednesday after Manny Machado, not pictured, scored a run on McLouth's single in the ninth inning against the Tampa Bay Rays in Baltimore.**

## Orioles' walk-off single deals Rays crucial 3-2 setback

Associated Press

BALTIMORE — Manny Machado led off the ninth inning with a single and scored the winning run on a single by Nate McLouth, and the Baltimore Orioles beat the Tampa Bay Rays 3-2 Wednesday night to retain a share of first place in the AL East.

The rookie also made a key defensive play in the top of the ninth for the Orioles, who moved 18 games over .500 (80-62) for the first time since the end of the 1997 season. Baltimore started the day tied atop the division with the New York Yankees, played a late game at Boston.

The Orioles will seek to complete a three-game sweep of Tampa Bay on Thursday.

B.J. Upton homered for the Rays, who fell three games behind the Orioles. Tampa Bay stranded 11 and went 2 for 10 with runners in scoring position.

Machado led off the

ninth with a single off Kyle Farnsworth (1-5), took second on a bunt and scored when McLouth hit a liner off the right-field wall. McLouth has assumed the leadoff role in place of Nick Markakis, who broke his left thumb on Saturday.

In the top of the ninth, pinch-runner Rich Thompson was on second with two outs when Evan Longoria topped a pitch from Jim Johnson (2-1) down the third-base line. Machado picked it up and faked a throw to first as Thompson rounded third. Machado flipped the ball to shortstop J.J. Hardy at third base, starting a rundown that ended with Thompson being tagged out by catcher Matt Wieters.

Orioles starter Miguel Gonzalez allowed two runs, six hits and five walks in six innings. He yielded a leadoff home run for the third time this season, but finished by retiring Jose Molina with the bases loaded

with the score 2-all.

Tampa Bay right-hander Alex Cobb gave up two runs and seven hits in 4 2-3 innings. He's 5-0 with three no-decisions in his last eight starts.

Cobb was followed by Jake McGee, who struck out all four batters he faced in his 17th straight scoreless appearance.

Upton hit the second pitch of the game into the left-field seats, his eighth career leadoff homer and third this year.

In the bottom half, after RBI singles by Wieters and Wilson Betemit gave Baltimore a 2-1 lead, Cobb struck out Mark Reynolds with one out and runners on second and third. A walk loaded the bases for Machado, who hit into a fielder's choice.

Through the first two innings, Baltimore was 2 for 8 with runners in scoring position.

Ben Francisco tied it for Tampa Bay with a two-out RBI double in the third. Carlos Pena then hit a routine fly ball

with two runners in scoring position.

The Rays threatened in the sixth. A single, a walk and a balk put runners at second and third with one out before Gonzalez struck out Ryan Roberts. An intentional walk loaded the bases for Molina, and the crowd of 26,076 stood in anticipation when the count reached 1-2. Molina fouled off a pitch before hitting a grounder to first.

**NOTES:** Tampa Bay OF Desmond Jennings (lower back tightness) was available to play but did not start after missing the previous three games. ... Rookie LHP Wei-Yin Chen (12-9) starts for the Orioles on Thursday afternoon. The Rays will start Jeremy Hellickson (8-10), who's winless since Aug. 20. ... Roberts, who strained his left forearm Tuesday night, started at 2B. ... Reynolds struck out three times. ... Upton reached 30 steals for the fifth straight season.

# Huskies' Calhoun to retire

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Jim Calhoun has spent more than half his life as a head basketball coach, never venturing far from the New England area where he was born.

Between high schools and

colleges in Massachusetts and Connecticut, he racked up 873 wins — most of them coming at his beloved UConn, where he ran the men's program for 26 years and won three national titles.

Recently, though, the 70-year-old Hall of Famer has struggled with health problems, including a fractured hip last month that put him on crutches. On Thursday, he plans to announce his retirement, a person familiar with the decision told The Associated Press.

The person spoke to the AP on condition of anonymity because Calhoun's move had not yet been made public. WVITV in Hartford first reported the expected announcement.

Assistant coach Kevin Ollie was expected to replace Calhoun, the person who spoke to the AP said. The school scheduled a 2 p.m. news conference "to address the future of the men's basketball program."

Ollie will take over a Huskies team that is ineligible for the 2013 NCAA tournament because of its failure to meet national academic standards, one of several off-court problems that hit UConn late in Calhoun's tenure.

The Huskies will open this year with just five players who saw significant playing time last season.

Before fracturing his hip, Calhoun fought off cancer three times and missed eight games last season while suffering from a painful spinal condition. He returned just four days after

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## High school FOOTBALL NOTEBOOK

# Panthers improve offense; Crystal River performance stellar

SEAN ARNOLD  
 Correspondent

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Lecanto (1-1) got into the win column this week by spoiling Weeki Wachee's (1-1) first-ever home game with a 24-7 defeat of the Hornets. It was a much-improved Panthers offense from Sept. 1 when they were denied the end zone in a 20-3 loss to Chiefland.

Junior quarterback Christian Barber showed great efficiency, completing 13 of 15 passes — in-

cluding a 52-yard TD pass to sophomore Ricky Marcic — for 160 yards. Junior running back Nile Waters ran for a pair of touchdowns, while sophomore Brian Poe paced Lecanto with 118 rushing yards with the help of a standout performance from senior offensive lineman Mike Pearson.

Meanwhile, Lecanto's defense

held Weeki Wachee to fewer than 70 total yards.

"We were able to be much more balanced with the run and pass game," Panthers coach McKinley Rolle said. "We were actually working ahead of the chains rather than behind them. The team had a much better week preparing for our opponent and working on fundamentals to get better. Everyone stuck to their assignments and played hard. That was the key to our success last week, and it will be all season."

Crystal River's (2-0) offense accumulated 478 yards in a 48-21 home victory over Williston (1-1) with a stellar performance from senior Dallas Baldner last Friday.

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**Citrus sophomore Breon Whaley has rushed for 169 yards and three touchdowns in two games to lead the Hurricanes on the ground so far in 2012.**

MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle





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# GET IN THE GAME

## Cold front signals redfish season

Did you feel it this week? I did. For the first time this fall we experienced a cold front. While the front didn't drop temperatures like they do in January, it signaled a change of things to come.

These weather changes offer us opportunities as outdoorsmen and women. Cooler weather is not only more enjoyable to fish in but the fish seem to enjoy it, too.

It's no secret that redfish are one of the most popular game fish along our coast.

For the most part, reds between 14 inches to 30 inches are common and can be easy to find, except during the most extreme cold or storm-related weather we have.

But long about now, areas along our county's coast receive an influx of larger-than-normal redfish, commonly known as "ocean" or "bull" reds. These bruisers, many pushing the mid-40-inch mark, are a different breed. They act and fight differently than their smaller, younger cousins many of us are used to catching.

While anglers are prevented from keeping the big bull reds (remember the legal size to keep reds is between 18 inches to 27 inches), the fight is something to behold and should be experienced if possible.

Capt. Dan Clymer of Racin' Mullet Charters is familiar with these bull reds and he offers some suggestions on how, when and where one can experience a fight to remember.

He said the breeding

ritual, which cranks up now and lasts for another couple of months, draws in the big spawners closer to shore and that makes them more accessible for anglers to target.

"They congregate along the outer keys from Homosassa to Crystal River, and of course the spoil islands are a well-known redfish spot," he said. "They're big breeder-size fish that are schooled up coming in from offshore."



Matthew Beck FISHTALES

For those new to the area, the spoil islands are west of the Crystal River channel and run for a couple of miles west into the Gulf. The spoil islands offer anglers a variety of options and hold a wide variety of fish throughout the year. Now can be one of the best times of the year to fish the spoil islands.

Clymer said the big bull reds don't make the shallows home for very long and live offshore for the majority of the year.

"Those fish tend to be in the 38-45-inch range and show up in late September, October and early November," he said.

With the larger, harder fighting fish Clymer said an adjustment tackle and technique is also needed.

"You don't want to go out there with your 8-pound test and your light, trout rod to do this," he cautioned. "You don't want to overstress these breeding fish. You want to land these fish quickly and get them back into the water quickly. Don't hold them out of the water for 10 minutes taking pictures."

An upgrade in line is one



Josh Brooke and Kevin McDonald hold a 40-inch bull red caught last fall with Capt. Dan Clymer.

Special to the Chronicle

way to help turn the fight into the angler's favor.

He suggested making your main, braided line in the 15-pound to 20-pound range. To the braid, he said tie a 30-pound piece of fluorocarbon, about 3-feet in length, and add that to a 4/0 circle hook.

"A circle hook is a must in this type of fishing," he said.

Along with fighting the fish hard he recommends care to be taken when releasing the copper-colored, hard charging fish.

"When you release them, put them in the water with

their head facing into the current until they give you a kick with their tail," he said. "They'll let you know when they're ready to go."

As for what you want to employ on the end of the hook Clymer said to keep an open mind.

"Have an assortment of bait with you," he suggests. "Some days they want a live pin fish, some days they want cut mullet, or shrimp and some days they want cut lady fish or cut lizard fish. I can't stress that enough, have an assortment of bait with you. Leave the dock prepared."

To keep the bait in the strike zone the captain suggests utilizing a 1/4-ounce weight to start. If the bait begins drifting off the bottom he suggested increasing the weight in small increments.

Clymer also said to keep the moon phases and tides in mind when possible. He said he has found three days prior to and following the full moon and concentrating on an incoming tide will improve your chances of a successful trip.

The veteran guide said the spoil islands are a popular fishing destination and

anglers need to show courtesy towards one another. Keeping an appropriate distance from other boats anchored is just one way to stay in good graces with others. Another is to avoid moving your boat through the area where other boats are present.

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## Tagged largemouth bass mean bucks for anglers

Bob Webb, of Inglis, is obviously not one to let grass grow under his feet. Webb, some will recall from a column a couple of months ago, wants to see another artificial reef along the Nature Coast, somewhere off Levy County. He sent me copies of correspondence he had with officialdom, and it seems to me he contacted all the right people, with zero negative reaction.

Personally, I think it's a great idea; you can't have too many places for fish to call home. Although there are apparently no vessels available for sinking, derelict or decommissioned ships aren't the only good material for artificial reefs; they just make a reef in one fell swoop.

Part of the old Barge Canal overpass on U.S. 19 was added to an existing reef off Citrus County, for example, and with all the construction going on in Florida we should be able to locate similar material within a reasonable distance. Having located the material, we'll of course have to get it here, take it to the site, sink it, etc. Much has to be done, but I don't think Webb should have to do all the heavy lifting. If you'd like to help in some

way, drop him a note at [wetspiders@att.net](mailto:wetspiders@att.net), or call Mayor Williams at Inglis City Hall.

Redfish are schooling, and trout are starting to move around more, with more reports of trout taken in shallow water. Capt. William Toney discovered something that makes a difference, and I'll pass it along to you. Toney, as many of you do, frequently uses a bait or jig under a popping cork. He'd been

out with a friend and regular client, and noticed the client was catching more fish than he was.

The difference? The type of popping cork. Toney was using an ordinary cork, his client one with a cupped surface.

"The cork with the cupped lip was catching two fish to my one," said Toney. "I just thought he was lucky that day, but it continued for the next few days, until I changed my cork and began to catch just as many fish."

A word to the wise. "We put 31 redfish, 85 trout and a couple of flounders, some snappers and groupers in the box over a two-week period," he said.

Most of the trout were taken in three to four feet of water over broken yellow

bottom; the reds were caught on the outside keys off Homosassa, and inside Fish Creek.

Bass anglers will want to be on the lookout for 136 trophy largemouth bass tagged by FWC biologists last spring. All were released into Florida public waters and carry a yellow plastic dart tag just below the dorsal fin. Each tag has a unique number that identifies a monetary reward value and information on how to report the catch.

So far, 21 percent of the tagged fish were caught and reported, and 83 percent of those were released alive. Interestingly, 28 percent of tagged bass heavier than 10 pounds have been caught, but just three (of seven) were released. My guess is the other four were kept for skin mounts. A third of the trophy bass caught took a live shiner.

One fish caught recently in Lake Talquin weighed in at 10 pounds and was probably one of a group of fingerlings released in 2002 or 2003, so call it 10 years old, which is consistent with biologic evidence showing it takes anywhere from six to 10 years for largemouths to reach 10 pounds.

Tight Lines to you.

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## Marine wildlife artist donates to youth conservation centers

Special to the Chronicle

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) recently recognized marine wildlife artist Guy Harvey and his company for their support of Florida Youth Conservation Centers Network (FYCCN) programs, which get kids involved in conservation-based recreation.

"We are proud and excited to partner with

FYCCN in furtherance of our marine educational programs and goals," said Dr. Harvey. "This partnership will help us to teach and develop the next generation of responsible Florida sportsmen and women."

Steve Stock, president of Guy Harvey Inc. and the Guy Harvey Ocean Foundation, both headquartered in Davie, presented on behalf of Harvey a check for \$50,000 to the Wildlife

Foundation of Florida to help fund FYCCN saltwater fishing camps that infuse in youths conservation ethics and a sense of stewardship related to the sport of fishing.

"The importance of developing in our children a strong personal connection with nature and a conservation ethic to match cannot be overstated," said Stock. "The future of the state's natural resources depends on it."

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## Tide charts

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\*From mouths of rivers. \*\*At Kings Bay. \*\*\*At Mason's Creek.

# Vols try to end skid against Gators

Associated Press

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Tennessee hasn't beaten Florida in so long that even the Volunteers who grew up near campus can't quite recall what they were doing the last time it happened.

Their hazy memories are understandable. Most of them were in elementary school or middle school at the time.

"Knowing me, I was probably playing it on a video game — playing as Tennessee and beating Florida," Tennessee nose guard and Knoxville Catholic High School graduate Daniel Hood said. "I can't say I remember too much about it. I just know it's been too long since we have beaten them."

Florida has beaten Tennessee each of the last seven years, which represents the Gators' longest winning streak in this rivalry's 41-game history. After winning 13 of its first 15 games with Florida, the Vols have gone 6-20 against the Gators since.

"We just want to keep the tradition going and keep winning," Florida cornerback Marcus Roberson said.

No. 23 Tennessee's hopes of starting a new streak Saturday against the 18th-ranked Gators rest on its ability to reverse the recent trends in this series.

The Vols haven't had a single 100-yard rusher, 100-yard receiver or 300-yard passer against Florida throughout this streak. Florida hasn't committed more turnovers than Tennessee in each of these seven games. Tennessee hasn't exceeded 23 points against Florida since its last victory in this series, a 30-28 shootout in 2004.



Tennessee quarterback Tyler Bray said the Volunteers are more mature this year and they hope to end Florida's 7-year winning streak against the team on Saturday.

Florida continually has seized the moment while Tennessee has broken down.

"It's a rivalry, so you never really want to lose," Florida linebacker Jon Bostic said. "Going into the season, it's one of the games on the schedule that's always circled. It's pretty much a statement game."

The Gators' run defense has made the biggest statement lately. Florida has outrushed Tennessee in each of these seven games and held the Vols to negative yards rushing twice. The Vols had minus-9 yards on 21 carries in a 33-23 loss to Florida last season.

Over its last seven games with the Gators, Tennessee has averaged 1.8 yards per rush.

Tennessee's last victory over Florida marks the last time the Vols outrushed the Gators. The Gators clearly have a rushing edge during this streak. They also might have a mental edge.

Tennessee coach Derek Dooley said he never discusses streaks with his players. He didn't talk about Tennessee's 26 consecutive victories against Kentucky before the Vols' 10-7 loss to the Wildcats last year. Nor did he mention Tennessee's six straight losses at the Georgia Dome before the

Vols' season-opening triumph over North Carolina State in Atlanta.

"Those things don't matter unless you talk about it and make it matter," Dooley said. "They don't. What matters is what team's going to show up and play for 60 minutes in the best possible manner. That's all that matters. The streak has nothing to do with it, unless you think it does. If you think it does, then it does."

Dooley emphasized his point by referring to Nuke LaLoosh, the flighty minor-league pitcher played by Tim Robbins in the movie "Bull Durham."

"It's like Nuke LaLoosh," Dooley said. "If he thinks he's throwing good because he's wearing the garter, then he is throwing good because he's wearing the garter."

Dooley said he didn't sense that his players were dwelling on the streak the last two seasons, but Hood indicated the Vols' mental approach may have cost them.

"We'll hit that point where we have some adversity against us and we're not able to rise above it," Hood said. "That'll be the test this game, to be able to rise above it whenever they hit a big play on us and give us some adversity."

Tennessee never recovered against Florida last season after star receiver Justin Hunter tore the anterior cruciate ligament in his left knee on the Vols' opening possession. This year, the Vols believe they won't panic if things don't go their way.

"We're more mature," Tennessee defensive end Maurice Couch said. "We know how to handle winning. When we can't control things, guys keep their composure. We're an all-around better team than last year. We're more hungry and humble."

Although the Vols insist they won't let the streak get to their heads, it remains on their minds.

Dooley really has no need to discuss the drought. His players understand what's at stake.

"It does bother us," Tennessee quarterback Tyler Bray said. "I think this team's got a bit more maturity this year. Last year we probably wouldn't have cared about the streak. We were just trying to win. This year we're taking some pride and some ownership. We need to beat them."

## Jaguars' Jones-Drew welcomes expanded role

Associated Press

JACKSONVILLE — In about a week, Jacksonville Jaguars running back Maurice Jones-Drew has gone from holdout to backup to starter.

He's more concerned with adding another adjective: winner.

Jones-Drew will return to his starting role when the Jaguars (0-1) try to bounce back from a gut-wrenching loss in the opener Sunday against AFC South rival Houston (1-0). Despite missing all of training camp and the preseason, the NFL's leading rusher in 2011 believes he's ready for a bigger workload.

"I was ready for 80 carries last week," Jones-Drew said Wednesday. "We'll see. We'll see how increased it is."

Rashad Jennings started at Minnesota and carried eight times for 31 yards before injuring his right knee. Coach Mike Mularkey said Jennings' injury is "not something long term," but added that it's the same knee that caused Jennings to miss all of last season.

Jennings sat out practice Wednesday, but has not been ruled out for the home opener.

Nonetheless, the Jaguars are trying to get Jones-Drew up to speed on the playbook and on the practice field.



Associated Press

Jaguars running back Maurice Jones-Drew returns to his starting role Sunday.

"He'll see extensive play compared to what we had planned for last week's game," Mularkey said.

Jones-Drew ran 19 times for 77 yards in the 26-23 overtime loss to the Vikings, a game in which Jacksonville led by a field goal before collapsing in the closing seconds of regulation. Jones-Drew's longest run gained 11 yards, but he showed glimpses of his younger days by nearly breaking a few.

"Pretty good is a good description for the first game," Mularkey said. "I think he was sore after the game, which he was probably sorer than he would have been if he would have gone through the camp, some of the hits. I think it's a gradual thing. I don't know if one

week's going to get him into the top where he was last year at his highest level of fitness.

"I think some of those runs may have broken free maybe if he had been here earlier. I was very pleased with the production that he did, and as hard as he ran was unbelievable. I think it's going to get better and better."

Jones-Drew, though, could be running behind a shuffled line.

Left guard Eben Britton and right tackle Cam Bradford sat out practice Wednesday, both still dealing with ankle injuries sustained in the opener. If they can't play, undrafted rookie Mike Brewster and veteran Guy Whimper would fill in against the Texans.

## Longest NFL rivalry renewed at Lambeau

### Packers take on Bears

BARRY WILNER  
AP Pro Football Writer

The NFL's oldest rivalry resumes with its 185th meeting, and it already might be a critical game for the hosts, even in Week 2.

San Francisco wiped up the Lambeau Stadium field (no tundra in September, of course) with the Packers last Sunday, handing Green Bay as many losses as it had in 2011. Chicago, meanwhile, toyed with Indianapolis and heads to this Thursday nighter loaded with confidence.

Green Bay, which dropped from the top spot to No. 5 in the AP Pro32 power rankings, wants no part of falling two games behind the Bears (No. 8, AP Pro32) so early in the schedule. The Packers, 6-point favorites in this one, don't get another shot at the Bears until Dec. 16.

Chicago showed plenty of balance in its opener, and the Jay Cutler to Brandon Marshall combination was superb: Marshall had 119 yards on nine receptions and scored a touchdown, while Cutler passed for 333 yards.

#### NFL Week 2: Familiar foes meet at Lambeau

The NFL's oldest rivalry resumes, and it already might be a critical game for the hosts, even in Week 2. While the Packers want to avoid an 0-2 start, the Bears would love nothing more than to assert themselves atop the division.

MATCHUP/PICK	STORYLINE
(Thu.) Bears 27 at Packers 28	Former Bears RB Cedric Benson helps Pack squeeze out a win
Chiefs 17 at Bills 13	Two banged-up teams, but Bills have it worse
Saints 30 at Panthers 24	Loser of this game has to start looking deep in the mirror
Browns 7 at Bengals 27	Bengals looked awful against Ravens, but Browns aren't Ravens
Vikings 14 at Colts 13	Might be only time Vikings are favored on road all season
Texans 24 at Jaguars 17	Maurice Jones-Drew has full week of preparation
Raiders 6 at Dolphins 10	Miami were bad in opener, but Raiders weren't much better
Cardinals 14 at Patriots 30	Cardinals' D has been on rise, and Brady Bunch is major test
Buccaneers 13 at Giants 23	Can't see defending champions losing two in a row at home
Ravens 23 at Eagles 14	Eagles won ugly, Ravens were gorgeous, won't change in Week 2
Cowboys 20 at Seahawks 21	Seahawks won't need botched Romo hold to stun Cowboys
Redskins 23 at Rams 13	Don't give him top rookie award yet, but RG3 goes 2-0
N.Y. Jets 10 at Steelers 20	Despite opener, Mark Sanchez is no Peyton Manning
Titans 17 at Chargers 20	Chargers have won last eight in this series ... make it nine, but close
Lions 14 at 49ers 24	After shutting down powerful Pack on road, 49ers do same to Lions
Broncos 20 at Falcons 24 (Mon.)	Winner needs to be taken seriously as title contender

Barry Wilner • AP

"We're trying to build a new thing here in Chicago," Marshall said. "It's going to take a lot of hard work. It was a great start."

Former Bears running back Cedric Benson goes against the team with which he broke into the NFL. It is no big deal to Benson, who was no big deal against San Francisco with a mere 19 yards on nine carries in his Packers debut.

"That was so long ago," Benson said of his time in Chicago. "I already got my shot at them a couple years ago."

Indeed. With Cincinnati three years ago, Benson rushed 37 times for 189 yards and a touchdown against the Bengals.

He won't go off this time, but he'll help the Packers squeeze out a win.

## Notre Dame goes to ACC in all sports but football

Associated Press

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — Notre Dame is moving to the Atlantic Coast Conference — yet keeping its football independence.

The school's president, the Rev. John I. Jenkins, and athletic director Jack Swarbrick joined league Commissioner John Swofford and three ACC presidents for a news conference Wednesday announcing the Irish's move from the Big East.

"This is truly a historic moment for the Atlantic Coast Conference," Swofford said.

The school will play five football games annually against the league's programs, but will be a full member in all other sports. The Irish will have access to the ACC's non-BCS bowl tie-ins. The ACC also increased its

exit fees for league schools to three times the annual operation budget — which would currently come to more than \$50 million. Swofford said the exit fee goes into effect immediately and would apply to Notre Dame.

Jenkins said maintaining football independence was critical for the school's identity and thanked the ACC for working out a way to make a move feasible.

"I just want to say emphatically and clearly, (football) aside, we're all-in in the ACC. ... We're deeply committed to the ACC," Jenkins said.

While the Irish can maintain football independence, the ACC is making an exception to its all-or-nothing requirement for schools to be full members amid the shifting landscape of conference affiliations.

### The Afro-American Club of Citrus County

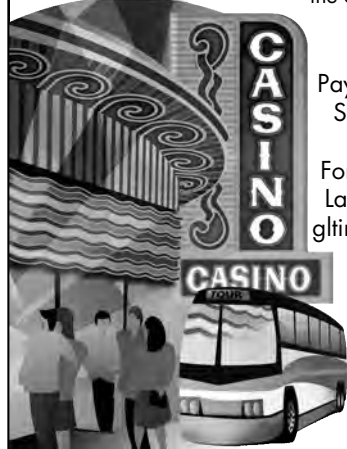
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## Spotlight on PEOPLE

### Ex-Gov. Bush working on book

NEW YORK — Former Florida Gov. **Jeb Bush** is working on a book about one of the Republican Party's most contentious issues: immigration.

Bush has a deal with Threshold Editions, a conservative imprint of Simon & Schuster, for "Immigration Wars: Forging An American Solution." Threshold announced Wednesday that the book is scheduled for next spring and will be co-authored by conservative attorney and activist **Clint Bolick**. Financial terms were not disclosed.

"Drawing upon history and American ideals, Jeb Bush and Clint Bolick outline a courageous and comprehensive strategy to bridge the partisan divide and set our nation's immigration policy on a just and rational course," Threshold said in a statement. "The book will present a comprehensive solution based on two core principles: Immigration is vital to America's future, fueling its growth, vibrancy and creativity; yet any true and enduring solution must adhere to the rule of the law."

The 59-year-old ex-governor has been urging his fellow Republicans to take on a more moderate tone on immigration, saying hard-line policies have led to lost elections. Bush himself was elected twice in a state with a substantial Hispanic population.

Books have become a standard way to advance a national candidacy and Bush, the son and brother of former presidents, has been widely discussed as a 2016 GOP contender should **President Obama** be re-elected. But he has disputed having such ambition.

### Russian PM: Free Pussy Riot

MOSCOW — Russian Prime Minister **Dmitry Medvedev** on Wednesday called for three members of the punk band Pussy Riot to be freed, a sign the women's release could be imminent.

The women were arrested for performing a raucous prayer inside Moscow's main cathedral asking Virgin Mary to save Russia from **Vladimir Putin** as he headed into the election that handed him a third term as president. They had already spent more than five months in jail when they were convicted in August of "hooliganism driven by religious hatred" and sentenced to two years in prison.

Medvedev remains subordinate to Putin. But by being the one to call for the women's release, the prime minister, who has cultivated the image as a more liberal leader, could allow Putin to put the case behind him while not appearing weak.

Medvedev said the women's appearance and the "hysteria" accompanying them made him sick, but keeping them in prison any longer would be unproductive.

—From wire reports

# Some coo, but others pooh-pooh 'Honey Boo Boo'

Associated Press

— MCINTYRE, Ga. — The reality show "Here Comes Honey Boo Boo" has been a ratings winner in recent weeks, capitalizing on redneck stereotypes and the oversized personality of a 6-year-old beauty pageant regular. But some who live nearby are concerned about the way their quiet pocket of central Georgia is being portrayed on the TLC series.

The show centers around Alana "Honey Boo Boo" Thompson, her mother June Shannon and their family. The round-cheeked second-grader, who previously appeared on the TLC show "Toddlers & Tiaras," has a penchant for outrageous catchphrases — "A dolla makes me holla!" and "You better rednecknize!" — that have gone viral and raised some eyebrows.

As the show attracts large audiences — even holding its own against top speakers in its Wednesday night time slot at both political conventions — it has also drawn strong reactions. Some say it exploits and mocks small-town people and perpetuates offensive stereotypes of life in the South, while others say the series shows a loving family that doesn't let outside opinions bother them.

In an interview with The Associated Press this week, Alana said filming the show was fun because she got to do things she doesn't always get to do, like going to a water park. Her mother said the family has enjoyed doing the show and believes the way it's edited portrays their unscripted life fairly and accurately.

"This is who she is," Shannon said as her daughter interrupted her with silly jokes and giggles. "This is her everyday life. She's got her own little personality, especially like when the cameras come on and when she's got attention."

Alana, who turned 7 late last month after filming ended, was friendly and playful, though a bit distracted, during her second national media interview of the day. Like so many kids her age, she likes to be the center of attention, and when she said or did something funny, she'd look around to gauge the reaction of those around her. She whined to her mother about not wanting to go to school, but finally headed out the door to join her classmates in a tan dress and strappy silver sandals with little heels.

The tiny town of McIntyre is nestled in a rural county that is a major exporter of kaolin, a chalky clay used in a wide range of products, including cosmetics, medicines, catalytic converters for vehicles and heat shields on space shuttles. The town's population is around 650



Associated Press

Seven-year-old beauty pageant regular and reality show star Alana "Honey Boo Boo" Thompson signs a photo Monday in her home in McIntyre, Ga. The reality show "Here Comes Honey Boo Boo" centers around Alana, her mother June Shannon and their family.

and nearly 40 percent of the families had an income that put them below the poverty level, according to 2010 Census numbers. Main Street stretches for about three blocks and features a small handful of businesses.

The show has portrayed the area unfairly, choosing to fixate on shots of junk cars, garbage dumps and stray animals, Wilkinson County Chamber of Commerce president Jonathan Jackson said in a statement, adding he'd like to see more of the region's positive attributes on the air.

"You can't very well ask and expect a television network to possess tact and taste — unless it makes them a dollar," he said.

Among the more than two dozen locals approached by the AP, the most common reaction to the series was that, for better or worse, it has "put McIntyre on the map." Many said they watch and enjoy the show, though most didn't necessarily think it represents the way most people in the area live.

"I don't mind it, it's just that it doesn't give a good image for the county since it is a small county, and it's a really family-oriented county, and we are basically, you know, church goes down here, and a lot of the things they do ... we don't agree with it," said Carolyn Snead, a McIntyre resident who works as a tax preparer. But she thinks Alana is funny and adorable and that if the show helps her succeed, it's worthwhile.

Tommy Floyd used to live near the family in nearby Toombsboro and has ridden four-wheel all-terrain vehicles with them and called them "good people to be around." "They don't put on," he said. "That's everything they do every day. It ain't just put on for the show."

Anita McGahee owns a flower and gift shop near the family's home and said several fans have stopped by her shop to buy stuffed animals or balloons for Alana or her 17-year-old sister Anna, who recently had a baby. She said she knows the family and called them "simple, country people." "It bothers me a little that people might think that that's what everyone here is like. It's like we all don't have any manners," she said, but that doesn't stop McGahee from going to her mother's house every Wednesday evening to watch the show.

Homer Rawls lives in nearby Gordon and said he's not too worried about the show making people in other parts of the country think all Southerners are backward rednecks.

"They already think that," he joked. "It kind of makes country folks look a little bad, but it's done in fun."

Some people who stopped by a gas station convenience store to pick up a burger or barbecue for lunch said they didn't want to discuss it, while others blasted the family's behavior. But in this close-knit community where most people know

each other at least a little bit and word travels fast, none of those with strong negative opinions were willing to give their names.

Since the show premiered last month, online criticism has focused on the family's behavior, weight and diet — which often includes junk food and sometimes a mixture of Mountain Dew and Red Bull they call "go-go juice." Many online commenters liken it to a train wreck they can't stop watching because they're shocked and horrified.

When the show began, Shannon said she was concerned about online criticism of her family and the way she parents, but she said she doesn't go online much these days unless one of her friends or a fan alerts her to a particular story. She said she also knows opinions in town are mixed.

"It's small-town living," she said. "I don't have any trouble with anybody here or whatever, but people are going to have opinions. I mean, that's everyday life."

Executive producer Lauren Lexton rejects accusations that the show is exploiting the family or playing on stereotypes. The show has been so popular, she said, because the family members clearly love each other and strike a chord with the audience.

"They seem outrageous, but then once you get to know them, you really relate to them and like them," she said.

## Florida LOTTERIES

### SO YOU KNOW

■ Last night's winning numbers, **Page B4**.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11	
<b>Mega Money:</b>	6 - 22 - 23 - 32
<b>Mega Ball:</b>	21
4-of-4 MB	No winner
4-of-4	1 winners \$6,375.50
3-of-4 MB	32 \$436.50
3-of-4	852 \$48.50
2-of-4 MB	1,126 \$25.50
1-of-4 MB	10,169 \$2.50
2-of-4	25,336 \$2
<b>Fantasy 5:</b>	8 - 12 - 18 - 26 - 30
5-of-5	2 winners \$99,652.13
4-of-5	326 \$98.50
3-of-5	9,428 \$9.50
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10	
<b>Fantasy 5:</b>	3 - 5 - 18 - 19 - 21
5-of-5	2 winners \$98,496.61

### INSIDE THE NUMBERS

■ To verify the accuracy of winning lottery numbers, players should double-check the numbers printed above with numbers officially posted by the Florida Lottery. Go to [www.flalottery.com](http://www.flalottery.com), or call 850-487-7777.

## Today in HISTORY

Today is Thursday, Sept. 13, the 257th day of 2012. There are 109 days left in the year.

### Today's Highlight:

On Sept. 13, 1997, funeral services were held in Calcutta, India, for Nobel peace laureate Mother Teresa.

### On this date:

In 1759, during the final French and Indian War, the British defeated the French on the Plains of Abraham overlooking Quebec City.

In 1788, the Congress of the Confederation authorized the first national election, and declared New York City the temporary national capital.

In 1948, Republican Margaret Chase Smith of Maine was elected to the U.S. Senate; she became the first woman to serve in both houses of Congress.

In 1962, Mississippi Gov. Ross Barnett rejected the U.S. Supreme Court's order for the University of Mississippi to admit James Meredith, a black student, declaring in a televised address, "We will not drink from the cup of genocide."

In 1993, at the White House, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and PLO chairman Yasser Arafat shook hands after signing an accord granting limited Palestinian autonomy.

In 1996, rapper Tupac Shakur died at a Las Vegas hospital six days after he was wounded in a drive-by shooting; he was 25.

**Ten years ago:** President George W. Bush said it was "highly doubtful" Saddam Hussein would comply with demands he disarm and avoid a confrontation with the world community. And Bush mocked Democrats and other lawmakers who wanted U.N. action before a congressional vote on confronting Saddam.

**Five years ago:** President George W. Bush, addressing the nation, rejected calls to end the war in Iraq, but said he wanted gradual U.S. troop withdrawals from the country.

**One year ago:** Teams of insurgents firing rocket-propelled grenades and automatic weapons struck at the U.S. Embassy, NATO headquarters and other buildings in the heart of Afghanistan's capital, Kabul.

**Today's birthdays:** Actress Barbara Bain is 81. Actress Eileen Fulton ("As the World Turns") is 79. Actress Jacqueline Bisset is 68. Rock singer-musician Dave Mustaine (Megadeth) is 51. Radio-TV personality Tavis Smiley is 48. Olympic gold medal runner Michael Johnson is 45. Singer Fiona Apple is 35. MLB pitcher Daisuke Matsuzaka is 32. Actor Ben Savage is 32.

**Thought for Today:** "Injustice, poverty, slavery, ignorance — these may be cured by reform or revolution. But men do not live only by fighting evils. They live by positive goals, individual and collective, a vast variety of them, seldom predictable, at times incompatible." — Isaiah Berlin, Russian-born British philosopher (1909-1997).

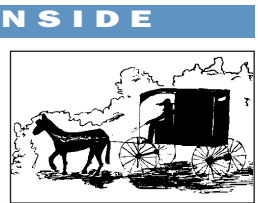
## Today's HOROSCOPE

**Birthday** — In coming months, be alert for an unusual venture in which you will be able to transform something that is outmoded into a profitable endeavor. It shouldn't be too hard, because it'll be in your area of expertise.  
**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — It's admirable of you to be compassionate and charitable to persons who are less fortunate than you. However, be practical when it comes to the extent to which you help them.  
**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Don't be surprised if a couple of friends turn to you for help when it comes to a problem that they can't unravel. Fortunately, you'll know how to resolve their issues.  
**Scorpio** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — It is quite likely that you'll have a slight edge over your adversaries in a competitive development. However, your margin of error is rather thin, so don't push your luck.  
**Sagittarius** (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — It might prove to be bene-

ficial to try to communicate with an old friend who is presently residing at a new, distant location, if you've got something he or she might be interested in.  
**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — The chances of achieving an important objective are likely to be better today than they will be tomorrow. Don't put anything off if it can easily be taken care of right now.  
**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Pay heed to your mate's suggestions if a decision regarding a matter of mutual concern has to be made sooner rather than later. The added perspective could prove to be just what the doctor ordered.  
**Pisces** (Feb. 20-March 20) — A project that you're undertaking with another has plenty of promising potential. However, both parties must be patient, because the rewards will be slow in coming.  
**Aries** (March 21-April 19) — Don't think less of opportunities that presently offer only small rewards because with

time, some of them could turn out quite well. Make sure you have an eye on long-term potential.  
**Taurus** (April 20-May 20) — The main reason that most conditions appear to be so promising is because of your ability to overcome difficulties. You're able to accomplish what you envision, and that counts for a lot.  
**Gemini** (May 21-June 20) — Don't let a Johnny-come-lately associate try to assume control of an arrangement that you're better equipped to handle. Stand up for what you know is not only fair but also best.  
**Cancer** (June 21-July 22) — Trust your innate business acumen because it's the asset that will put you in the black. You're especially adroit at handling both your pennies and dollars.  
**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22) — Others are likely to find the example you're setting to be an excellent one, mostly because they'll see you taking your responsibilities seriously.





Ron Drinkhouse's column is not in today's edition. It will return next week.

# MORE THAN JUST BARBECUE



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

**ABOVE:** Skeet's Barbeque in Beverly Hills offers a variety of smoked barbecue including beef, pork and ribs. Homemade side dishes such as cole slaw are available. The minestrone soup is also homemade. **BELOW:** Tuesday night at Skeet's Barbeque is all-you-can-eat wing night. The wings pictured are hot, dry rub and teriyaki.

## Skeet's Family Barbeque supplies wide range of pork, chicken, turkey

**JULIANNE MUNN**  
 Chronicle food writer

Skeet's Family Barbeque in Beverly Hills has dynamite smoked meats and poultry for sure, but the spacious, attractive restaurant is so much more.

Mountainous servings of slow-smoked pulled pork, beef brisket, chicken and turkey on plates or in sandwiches and wraps are hallmarks of Skeet's. Side dishes attract almost as much attention as the entrees, with molasses-based tangy, thick baked beans, creamy jalapeno cheese grits, mashed sweet potatoes and potato salad.

Co-owner and manager Charlene Sestito contributes homemade desserts, such as rich chocolate layer cake.

"All the meats are smoked right here," she said. "Our smokers are going almost all the time, but we're not just barbecue."

For example, "our wings are taking off again now that football season is here. People call and order lots of wings for the TV football games."

In addition to wing orders, the Wednesday-night special is all-you-can-eat wings in house from 4 to 8 p.m. for \$12.99 per person. Wing flavors include mild, medium and hot, as well as barbecue, bourbon barbecue, mild, medium and hot garlic and garlic parmesan. For a crowd, try the wing pack, \$39.99 for 50 wings and two large fries.

A "meat feast" of barbecue includes 1/2 pound each of beef brisket and pork, a whole chicken, six ribs, slaw, beans, potato salad



and garlic toast for \$49.99. Smaller package combinations are available for wings and barbecue carry out or to eat in.

As the weather cools, the signature gumbo, with its spicy blend of meats, sausage, okra and tomatoes, is a warm-up bargain at \$4. It is a cross between Louisiana gumbo and Georgia Brunswick stew.

A native of Irvington, N.Y., Sestito said during the winter months at least three soups or chowders are always on the menu, including gumbo. A recent special was minestrone. Daily specials recently were

Boom Boom Shrimp (a dozen fried and tossed in spicy sauce); smoked pork Cuban; fish (pangasius) hoagie; grilled salmon and salmon Caesar salad.

A popular item is the pork and slaw wrap, a unique blend of sweet slaw and smoked pork mixed in sweet barbecue sauce tucked into a seasoned and grilled wrap for \$8.49. And there are other wraps, burgers and salads and specialty barbecue egg rolls.

One of the in-demand salads is the signature salad of mixed greens, cranberries, pecans, walnuts, almonds and cucumbers

tossed with a honey-raspberry vinaigrette, for \$7.49.

Breakfast is served from 8 to 11 a.m. A few of the featured items are omelets, hash and eggs, pancakes and the French toast tower, which is thick-cut French toast stuffed with the chef's strawberry cream cheese filling.

On Tuesday's family night, children 12 and younger eat free from the kids' menu with each adult entree purchased.

Skeet's comfortably seats up to 75 guests, plus 75 more in an adjoining banquet room, Sestito

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Julianne Munn  
**OVER EASY**

## Flavors from Florida

Just any old lime really won't do. To make Florida's most famous dessert, one must use the authentic citrus fruit grown throughout the Florida Keys.

Key lime pie was designated the official state pie of Florida in 2006 by the state Legislature. Key limes are smaller, tangier and more fragrant than the Persian limes found year-round in most supermarkets.

Key lime pie is a dessert made from the juice of Key limes, egg yolks and canned sweetened, condensed milk. The pie is topped with golden brown meringue or a whipped topping.

Green food coloring is typically not added to the filling and the pie is presented in its natural pale yellow, which is the actual color of the juice of Key limes.

Though it's not easy to find real Key limes in grocery stores, you can usually buy bottles of the pure juice, such as Nellie and Joe's Key lime juice.

It's good to live in Florida and it's good to indulge in some of the Sunshine State's most delicious dishes. Three of my personal favorites are lime pie, mullet spread and avocados. Here are recipes to try:

### FLORIDA KEY LIME PIE

- 3 large egg yolks
- Zest from 2 large limes, finely grated (you can use regular limes)
- One 14-ounce can of sweetened, condensed milk
- 2/3 cup Key lime juice (fresh squeezed if possible, purchased if necessary)
- 9-inch graham cracker crust

Pre-heat oven to 350 degrees. Pour the egg yolks and lime zest into the bowl of a standing electric mixer. With the wire-whisk attachment, beat them on high until the yolks are pale in color and very fluffy, about 5 full minutes, scraping down the sides of the bowl as necessary.

With the mixer still running, add the entire can of sweetened, condensed milk in a slow, steady stream and continue beating, on high, for 3 to 4 minutes until the mixture

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# Beginning of school

School doors opened Tuesday, Sept. 4. The house seemed pretty empty after the six youngest left for school at 7 a.m.

They had Rich for their bus driver again, which made them happy. Rich has been the bus driver for the children since we moved to Michigan eight years ago. He is a good bus driver.

**Editor's note:** Amish schooling differs from place to place. In some communities Amish children primarily attend parochial schools; in others it is public. In Lovina's settlement, children attend public school, the Amish parochial school or are home-schooled.

Son Kevin enjoyed his 7th birthday Sunday. Daughter Loretta baked a cake for Kevin. She didn't know he wanted cupcakes instead, but he said it didn't matter.

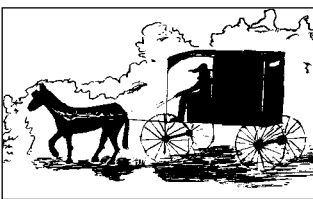
I decorated his cake using candy to write "happy birthday." He looked pretty happy when he saw it.

We gave him a bike for his birthday. He has never had his own. He used the other old bikes we have around here. He is so proud to have his very own bike and spends all of his free time riding. I even caught him riding it in our basement the other night.

He found a big bottle of baby powder and sprinkled "trails" on the basement floor. He was biking on the trails until I came downstairs and stopped him. He told me since we told him he couldn't bike on the roads, he was trying to make roads in the basement. It left quite a dusty floor and mess to clean up.

Loretta is getting nervous about her surgery, which will be Monday. We will all be glad when it is over with. I hope and pray everything will turn out OK. She is very tired after a day spent at school.

My husband Joe and Joseph took the boat out on the lake on Labor Day. They fished most of the day.



Lovina Eicher  
**THE AMISH COOK**

Elizabeth and Benjamin went with Elizabeth's friend Timothy on a boat on a different lake. They all came home with some fish, which were mostly bluegill.

The rest of the children and I spent the day relaxing at home. It was a nice day and would have been a good afternoon to do laundry. But we waited until Tuesday, though, so Susan and I could do it after the children left for school. We all needed that break.

Elizabeth was glad to have a day off from the factory. They are putting in long hours everyday. It sounds like she will have to work Saturdays now.

When I worked at a sewing factory before I was married, I did not like working Saturdays. It seemed like enough to work five days and use Saturday to catch up on work at home.

A lot of the deer hunters are doing target practice with their bows. They are getting excited for opening day of deer season.

The boys picked five big buckets of tomatoes out of our garden last night. Susan and I did laundry this morning. It looks like we will work up tomatoes this afternoon. I am glad to fill more jars.

Sister Emma will drop off Steven, 5, in a little bit. She has to take one of her children to a doctor's appointment this afternoon. Since Steven goes to school in the morning, I imagine he will have plenty of stories to share with us. Kevin was excited to have Steven at school this year.

This is a delicious, easy

breakfast, and you could use potatoes from your garden.

## POTATO OMELETTE

- 6 small potatoes
- 3 medium onions
- 6 to 8 ounces smoked ham
- 12 eggs
- Salt and pepper to taste
- Oil

Slice potatoes, onions, and ham as thinly as possible. Sauté potatoes and onions in oil until soft but not brown. Butter a 7 1/2-by-11 3/4 glass baking dish. Layer potatoes, onions and ham in the dish. Stir eggs with salt and pepper to taste and pour over top.

Bake at 325 degrees for 20 to 25 minutes or until eggs are set.

*Lovina Eicher and her husband, Joe, are raising eight children on their rural Michigan homestead. Lovina inherited the Amish Cook column from her mother, Elizabeth Coblenz. For information about the Amish Cook, or to ask a question, write The Amish Cook, P.O. BOX 157, Middletown, OH 45042 or visit amishcookonline.com.*

## EASY

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becomes thick and creamy, scraping down the sides of the bowl as necessary.

Lower the mixer speed to medium-low and add the Key lime juice in a slow steady stream. Mix until its incorporated. Do not over mix.

Using a rubber spatula to get every drop, pour the mixture into the graham cracker crust. Place the filled pie on a cookie sheet and bake in the middle of a preheated 350-degree oven for 15 to 20 minutes, until the custard has set.

Remove from the oven and cool on a wire rack, then refrigerate. Keep pie refrigerated until serving, so it will stay firm.

Serve each slice with a dollop of whipped cream (or alternatively, make a fluffy meringue with the leftover egg whites.)

## SMOKED MULLET SPREAD

- 2 8-ounce packages light cream cheese, softened
- 3 tablespoons lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons grated onion
- 2 tablespoons milk

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- 1 teaspoon hot pepper sauce
- 3 cups flaked smoked mullet meat
- 3 tablespoons chopped parsley
- Paprika
- Crackers

pepper flakes

- 1/3 cup fresh lime juice
- 3 cups chicken broth
- 1 cup half and half or cream
- 3/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1 1/2 tablespoon fresh cilantro, chopped

Combine the cream cheese, lemon juice, grated onion and hot pepper sauce; whip until smooth and fluffy. Stir in fish and parsley. Form into a ball and sprinkle with paprika. Cover and chill for 1 hour. Serve with crackers. Makes 3 cups or 48 tablespoon-sized servings

### CHILLED AVOCADO GAZPACHO

- 2 pounds (about 5) small avocados, peeled and chopped
- 1 jalapeno, seeded and minced
- Pinch crushed red

Combine first 3 ingredients, 3 tablespoons of lime juice and 1 cup of the broth in a food processor or blender. Process until smooth. Transfer the mixture to a large bowl and whisk in the remaining 2 cups of broth, cream, salt, pepper and cilantro. Chill. Serve garnished with shrimp and/or cilantro and avocado slices. Makes 4 servings.

*Julianne Munn is the food writer for the Citrus County Chronicle. Email her at jmunn2@tampabay.rr.com.*

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## CITRUS COUNTY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

**THURSDAY September 20, 2012 at 9:00 AM**  
Lecanto Government Building  
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Room 166  
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A. CALL TO ORDER  
B. INVOCATION  
C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
D. ROLL CALL  
E. CHAIRMAN TO READ THE APPEAL PROCESS AND MEETING PROCEDURES  
F. APPROVE MINUTES  
G. STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS  
H. EXPARTE COMMUNICATION – ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY  
I. APPLICATIONS

**1. LAND USE APPLICATIONS**

a. **V-12-15 - Randall Clark, R & R Clark Construction for Robert Spector**

**REQUEST:** The applicant is requesting a two-part variance from the Citrus County Land Development Code (LDC) to allow for construction of a single-family residence that has 1) less than the required minimum 50-foot building setback to the Mean High Water Line in a Velocity Zone pursuant to Section 3520, Floodplain Protection Standards of the LDC and 2) less than the required minimum 50-foot building setback from the centerline of the right-of-way pursuant to Section 2300, Building Setback Requirements and Height Requirements for all Land Use Districts of the LDC.

**LOCATION:** Section 24, Township 18, Range 16; more specifically Lot 9 of Woods N Waters Unrecorded Subdivision, which address is 12009 W. Gulf Breeze Ct, Crystal River, Florida. A complete legal description of the property is on file with the Land Development Division.

**STAFF CONTACT:** Sunniva Brown, Customer Service Supervisor, Land Development Division

b. **CU-12-06 - Clark Stillwell for Teramore Development, LLC**

**REQUEST:** The applicant is requesting a Conditional Use from the Citrus County Land Development Code (LDC) to allow for a Grocery/Discount Retail Store exceeding the maximum allowable square footage in a Neighborhood Commercial District (NEC), pursuant to Section 2411, Neighborhood Commercial District (NEC) as specified in the Land Development Code (LDC).

**LOCATION:** Section 27, Township 17 South, Range 17 East; more specifically, Lot 33 & 34 of Citrus Pine Run, Plat Book 12 Page 110; which address is 7958 & 7986 N. Citrus Ave., Crystal River FL. A complete legal description of the property is on file with the Land Development Division.

**STAFF CONTACT:** Laura Marley, Planner, Land Development Division

c. **AA-12-04 Brentwood Farms, LLC**

**REQUEST:** The applicant is requesting to amend the Pine Ridge Unit 3 Master Plan and the Land Development Code Atlas from RUR/PDO (School), Rural Residential with a Planned Development Overlay (School), to RUR/PDO (Singlefamily residential), Rural Residential with a Planned Development Overlay (Single-family residential)

**LOCATION:** Section 9, Township 18 South, Range 18 East, Pine Ridge Unit 3, Tract T-12, as recorded in Plat Book 8, Pages 51-67, public records of Citrus County, FL (Pine Ridge area). A complete legal description of the property is on file with the Land Development Division.

**STAFF CONTACT:** Joanna L. Coutu, AICP, Principal Planner, Land Development Division

d. **CU-12-04 - Mike Scott Plumbing for Ella and John Thomas**

**REQUEST:** The applicant is requesting a Conditional Use to allow for land application of treated domestic septage and sanitary waste in an Agriculture District, pursuant to Section 2419, Agriculture District (AGR), of the Citrus County Land Development Code, and Section 42-145, Permitting of a domestic septage land application site, of the Citrus County Code of Ordinances.

**LOCATION:** Section 6, Township 20 South, Range 20 East; more specifically, a portion of Parcels 23000 and 34000, which address is 6091 S. Pleasant Grove Road, Inverness, Florida. A complete legal description of the property is on file with the Land Development Division.

**STAFF CONTACT:** Joanna L. Coutu, AICP, Principal Planner, Land Development Division

**K. ADDITIONAL ITEMS**

**L. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS**

**M. ADJOURN**

If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Commission with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings and, for such purpose, he or she may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Any person requiring reasonable accommodation at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the County Administrator's Office, Citrus County Courthouse, 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida 34450, (352) 341-6560, at least two days before the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, use the TDD telephone (352) 341-6580.

# SKEET'S

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said. The restaurant provides service for various clubs and other groups and delivers on occasion to nearby businesses that place larger orders.

Preparing good food is the No. 1 job at Skeet's, but hospitality is a close second. The entire staff is friendly and efficient at the restaurant, which opened more than two years ago on County Road 491.

Skeet's is at 3887 N. Lecanto Highway, Beverly Hills. Hours are 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday. Skeet's is closed Mondays.

For reservations and information about carry out and catering, call 352-527-7250. All major credit cards are accepted.

Here are recipes shared by the staff at Skeet's:

## TROPICAL CASHEW SHRIMP

- 1 large bag frozen jumbo shrimp
- 1 cup fresh cauliflower pieces
- 1 cup fresh baby carrots
- 2 cups pineapple
- 1/2 cup fresh snow peas
- 2 tablespoons Canola oil
- 1/2 stick butter
- Salt and pepper to taste

Combine the oil and butter in a wok or deep skillet. Add the cauliflower, carrots, salt and pepper and cook on high for 13 minutes or until vegetables are semisoft.

Add the shrimp, snow peas, cashews and pineapple. Cook another 10 minutes, tossing with two



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**The French toast tower is French toast stuffed with the chef's strawberry cream cheese filling. Breakfast is served from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Tuesday through Sunday.**

wooden spoons or rubber spoons.

Serve over a bed of long-grain cooked rice as a main dish. Makes 4 servings.

## CHEESY SHRIMP AND GRITS

- 3 14-ounce cans chicken broth
- 1 1/3 cups instant grits
- 1/3 cup shredded sharp Cheddar cheese
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons butter, melted
- 1 8-ounce package garlic herb cream cheese spread, softened
- 1 tablespoon half and half
- 1/2 cup grated asiago cheese
- 2 teaspoons chopped chives
- 1/2 pound peeled and deveined shrimp, cut into 1/2-inch pieces

- 1/2 cup Parmesan cheese
- 1 2-ounce jar pimientos

Bring the chicken broth to boil; stir in grits and boil for 1 minute. Cover and reduce heat. Stir in the half and half, pimientos and salt.

Sauté shrimp, chives and butter for 5 minutes. Place the grits mixture in a 9-by-13-inch baking dish and spread the herb cream cheese on it.

Pour the cooked shrimp mixture over the top and sprinkle with Parmesan cheese. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 to 45 minutes or until the top is brown.

## BALSAMIC-GLAZED SALMON STEAKS

- 6 5-ounce salmon filets
- 1 tablespoon garlic, minced
- 1 tablespoon white

- wine
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 1/3 cup balsamic vinegar
- 4 teaspoons Dijon mustard
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh parsley
- 6 sprigs mint
- Salt and pepper to taste

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Line a baking sheet with aluminum foil and coat with nonstick cooking spray.

Coat a small saucpan with nonstick cooking spray. Over medium heat, combine the garlic, white wine, honey, balsamic vinegar, mustard, salt and pepper. Simmer uncovered for 3 minutes or until slightly thickened.

Arrange salmon fillets on the foil-lined baking sheet. Brush filets with balsamic glaze and sprinkle with parsley.



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Bake in preheated oven for 10 to 14 minutes or until flesh flakes easily with a fork. Brush fillets with remaining glaze and season with salt and pepper to taste. Use a spatula to transfer fillets to serving platter, leaving the skin behind on the foil. Gar-

nish each with a spring of mint. Makes 6 servings, 288 calories per serving.

Julianne Munn is the food writer for the Citrus County Chronicle. Email her at [jmun2@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:jmun2@tampabay.rr.com).

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**News NOTES**

**Freebees set for Saturday**

There will be a Freebees Giveaway event from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 16, at Homosassa Civic Center, behind the fire station.

Everything is offered to the public for free. Items include clothing and shoes, housewares and more.

For more information, call Theresa Waldron at 352-746-5984, or email freedomway1@gmail.com.

**Matt Curley drive slated for Sept. 15**

Our Lady of Grace Church/Knights of Columbus Abbot Francis Sadler Council 6168 will co-host the third annual Matt Curley Memorial Blood drive on Saturday, Sept. 15, in the Our Lady of Grace Parish Life Center on Roosevelt Boulevard from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The drive honors the memory of Matt Curley, who died in 2010 after many years of service to the council, parish and Citrus County.

All are welcome to honor the memory of this giving person by giving the gift of life on Saturday, Sept. 15. Those who have conflicts on this date can participate in this drive by donating blood around the date at a Life South Community Blood center, such as that at 1241 S. Lecanto Highway in Lecanto, near Lecanto High school. Call 352-527-3061.

**7 Rivers collects soap, shampoo**

Two new drop-off locations have been added to Seven Rivers Regional Medical Center's Soap & Shampoo Drive to benefit We Care Food Pantry. Collection bins for unopened body soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, etc., are now at Nature Coast EMS (3876 W. Country Hill Drive, Lecanto) and Sunflower Springs Assisted Living Facility (8733 W. Yulee Drive, Homosassa).

Collection bins are also in the cafeteria of the hospital, at the Seven Rivers Rehab & Wound Center (1675 S.E. U.S. 19, Crystal River, next to Sweetbay) and at the Seven Rivers Outpatient Laboratory (at 11503 W. Emerald Oaks Drive, Crystal River, north of the hospital).

Remember, some people have to make the tough decision between buying food or soap. A donation can alleviate that choice for hundreds of men, women and children. For more information, call Dorothy Pernu at 352-795-8344.

**Animal Shelter ADOPTABLES**



**Dougie**

Special to the Chronicle

**Dougie is a handsome, 5-year-old Hound mix and weighs 40 pounds. He's sweet, gentle and just a bit shy at first, but loves people and warms up quickly. Dougie found himself at the shelter through no fault of his own. His owner could no longer afford to give him the care he needed. Dougie is low energy and would make a great companion dog. Meet him at Citrus County Animal Services, 4030 S. Airport Road, Inverness, behind the fairgrounds. View all adoptable pets at www.citruscritters.com. Call 352-746-8400.**

# Computer confusion?

## Two area groups can help users of both PCs and Macs

### CMUG gets back to Friday meetings

Special to the Chronicle

Starting with the Sept. 28 meeting, Citrus Macintosh Users Group (CMUG) will resume meeting on the fourth Friday monthly.

The club meets from 7 to 9 p.m. with an informal question-and-answer session at 6:30. Guests are welcome. Classes for September will be Apple

and iPad literacy offered by instructors Bill Dean and Curtis Herrin.

The schedule for the month is:

■ Thursday, Sept. 20, 1 to 5 p.m., iPad workshop. Registration required and indicate topic to be covered. Email Carolyn Moss at ckmoss@tampabay.rr.com.

■ Monday, Sept. 24, 1 to 5 p.m. Apple literacy class. Registration required; email ckmoss@tampabay.rr.com.

■ Tuesday, Sept. 25, 1 to 5 p.m. Macintosh workshop. Registration required and indicate topic to be covered. Email Bill Dean at bjdean@embarqmail.com.

■ Tuesday, Sept. 25, 6 to 9 p.m. iPad literacy class. Registration required; email ckmoss@tampabay.rr.com.

■ Thursday, Sept. 27, 1 to 5 p.m. Lab/tune-up. Registration required and indicate topic to be covered. Email John Engberg at mrbyte@earthlink.net.

All events are in room 103, building C4 on the College of Central Florida Citrus Campus. Class fees are \$10 for single, \$15 for family and \$20 for nonmembers.

For more information about CMUG, visit cmugonline.com and click on the About Us or News and Events button.

### CRUG offers several classes

Special to the Chronicle

Crystal River Users Group Inc. has announced its 2012 fall class schedule. All classes except Digital Scrapbooking will be conducted at Crystal Oaks Community Clubhouse, 4958 Crystal Oaks Blvd., Lecanto.

Classes are:

■ CSS Basic, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Sept. 17 and 24; \$15 for members, \$23 for nonmembers. CSS defines

how HTML elements are to be displayed. Styles are normally saved in external .css files. External style sheets enable you to change the appearance and layout of all the pages in a website, just by editing one single file. Each CSS class will also involve teaching basic HTML technology.

■ Digital Scrapbooking, 1 to 4 p.m., Sept. 20, 27 and Oct. 4; \$20 for members, \$30 for nonmembers. Using

photo editing programs on your computer, you can create beautiful scrapbook pages with your photos and realistic digital elements and papers. The class will include gathering digital files, downloading them from the Internet, resizing and altering your own photographs, adding text, drop shadows and other effects to create your own unique pages. Photoshop Elements 10 will be used in class for the lessons. This class will be taught at 1578 W. Meadowerest Blvd.

■ Windows 7 Basic, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Oct. 1 and 8; \$15 for members, \$23 for nonmembers.

■ Word 2010 Basic, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Oct. 15, 22 and 29; \$20 for members, \$30 for nonmembers.

■ Adobe Elements PSE, 9:30 to 11:30 p.m., Nov. 12, 19, 26 and Dec. 3; \$20 for members, \$30 for nonmembers.

■ WordPress, noon to 1:30 p.m. Nov. 12, 19, 26 and Dec. 3; \$15 for members, \$23 for nonmembers.

Visit the website at crug.com to register.

## Constitution Week



Special to the Chronicle

At the August meeting of the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners, DAR members were presented with a proclamation designating Sept. 17 to 23 as Constitution Week in Citrus County. Pictured, from left, with the commissioners are Priscilla Tyson, Chapter Regent Sue Camillo, Constitution Week Chairman Carolyn Ohlmeyer and Kathe Echlin. Commissioners, back, from left, are John "JJ" Kenney, Dennis Damato, Rebecca Bays, Joe Meek and Winn Webb. The tradition of celebrating Constitution Week was started many years ago by the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). In 1955, the DAR petitioned Congress to set aside Sept. 17 to 23 annually to be dedicated for the observance of Constitution Week. The resolution was later adopted by the U.S. Congress and signed into Public Law No. 915, on Aug. 2, 1956, by President Dwight Eisenhower. The purpose of the observance week is to promote study and education about the Constitution. For more information about DAR, call Sue Camillo at 352-382-7383.

## Performers sought for special show

Special to the Chronicle

Living Water Ministries in Beverly Hills will stage a special fundraising concert event from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15, at the church, 1 Beverly Hills Blvd.

The event will be for Jackie Dreher Sams and her son, John, who are suffering from familial Mediterranean Fever. Another son, Steve Jr., has also presented with the same symptoms,

and father Steven Sr. has been diagnosed with epilepsy. Neither parent can work.

The concert will offer anyone who would like to participate the chance to sing their rendition of the hymn "Amazing Grace."

It can be country, bluesy, contemporary, etc. It can be performed by a choir or band, or by individuals of any age. The music must use the hymn's actual lyrics.

Each performance will be scheduled with a six-minute slot. Sound equipment will be on site for use. There will be additional Christian performances, food, prizes and more.

To be scheduled to sing or play, call 352-270-8886.

Businesses are also welcome to sponsor the event with items for drawings or door prizes.

To learn more about the Sams family, visit www.jmsfamily.org.

## Party to help fund scholarships for youths

### Public welcome

Special to the Chronicle

The Spanish American Club of Citrus County will have its annual Scholarship Fundraiser from 3 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, at the Knights of Columbus 6168

Hall, 2389 W. Norvell Bryant Highway, Lecanto. The event is open to the public.

During the past 10 years, the club has awarded more than \$25,000 in financial aid to many Citrus County high school graduates.

There will be music and dancing, comedy skits, singing, poetry reading, a

fashion show and more. Rosalie Battistini, "Rapping Grandma," will emcee the event.

This year will include professional performances by Los Caballeros Del Sol doing "Musica De Trio," and guest vocalist Frank J. Torres singing love ballads. The event will also include

a buffet dinner. Seating is limited. Tax-deductible donations are \$25 per person; mail to: SAC, P.O. box 2591, Inverness, FL 34451. Your name will be added to the guest list.

For more information, call Benny Cruz, SAC president, at 352-746-3599 or email benpris312@aol.com.

**News NOTES**

**Save money, learn to use coupons**

Edna Mickel will be back, by popular demand, for another couponing class at the Citrus Springs Memorial Library at 1 p.m. Monday, Sept. 25.

The last class was extremely well received and she will again give guidance in saving money by using coupons.

The library is at 1826 W. Country Club Blvd. in Citrus Springs.

Students do not have to bring any supplies. Reservations would be appreciated by calling the library at 352-489-2313.

**Spanish American Club to meet**

The Spanish American Club of Citrus County will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 20, at Knights of Columbus Hall No. 6168 at 2389 Norvell Bryant Highway, Lecanto.

Doors open at 6 p.m. for light dining on chicken and beef empanadas. Soda, water, coffee and dessert will also be provided.

The club is a multinational organization open to all and has been active for 25 years. It provides a venue to experience the Latino culture. Membership dues are \$25 for the year. The club is still in its recruitment drive with the goal of 300 members by the end of the year.

For a copy of the newsletter or more information, email benpris312@aol.com.

**Civic group plans fundraiser sale**

In July 2012, Charles Kostal, 33, a lifetime resident of Citrus County, was airlifted to Shands Hospital in Gainesville and found to have a rare infection called septic pulmonary emboli. Doctors removed two abscesses from his spinal cord, leaving him paralyzed.

Kostal is a stay-at-home father for his 2-year-old son and his wife is a full-time hair stylist.

They have no insurance and need assistance in providing full-time care and handicap facilities.

The Ozello Civic Association will have an inside garage sale from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, at the Ozello Civic Center on the Ozello Trail. They need donated items of all kinds. All proceeds will go to the Kostal family.

Drop-off locations are Preferred Automobile Services, 636 S.E. Fort Island Trail (behind Granny's on U.S. 19) and Island Outpost on the Ozello Trail.

For more information, call Cecelia at 870-504-1262, or Joan at 352-795-2622.

**EDC plans annual barbecue Sept. 20**

Tickets are on sale for the Economic Development Council's annual barbecue slated for Thursday, Sept. 20, at M&B Dairy in Lecanto.

Sponsored by Superior Residences of Lecanto/Sunflower Springs Assisted Living Facility and presented by Sibex Inc., this is the finale of Industry Appreciation Week celebrating the 9,000 businesses in Citrus County.

Dale McClellan, owner of M&B, is the 2012 Swisher Sweets Florida Farmer of the Year.

The Citrus County Agriculture Alliance prepares the barbecue. Tim McGraw-tribute artist Adam D. Tucker will bring his full band to rock the farm with country sounds.

Tickets are \$25 and include entrance at the gate, open bar, unlimited barbecue and music. Call 352-795-3149 or visit www.citrusedc.com/events to purchase tickets.

■ Submit information at least two weeks before the event.  
■ Early submission of timely material is appreciated, but multiple publications cannot be guaranteed.

■ Submit material at *Chronicle* offices in Inverness or Crystal River; by fax at 352-563-3280; or email to community@chronicleonline.com.

■ Notes tend to run one week prior to the date of an event. Publication on a special day can't be guaranteed.  
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Bridge

Bridge hand information including North, South, West, and East cards, dealer information, and opening lead.

PHILLIP ALDER Newspaper Enterprise Assn.

Walt Disney said, "I don't like formal gardens. I like wild nature. It's just the wilderness instinct in me, I guess." That's an interesting observation, especially considering that he owned property in the Napa Valley with orderly rows of vines.

JUMBLE word game section with a cartoon illustration and instructions for solving the puzzle.

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

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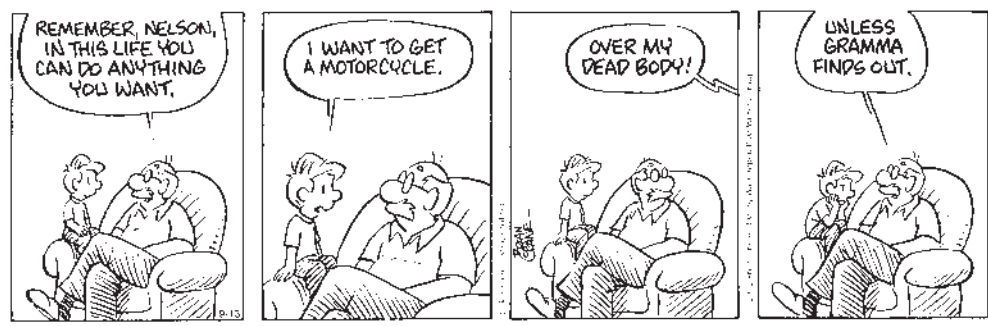
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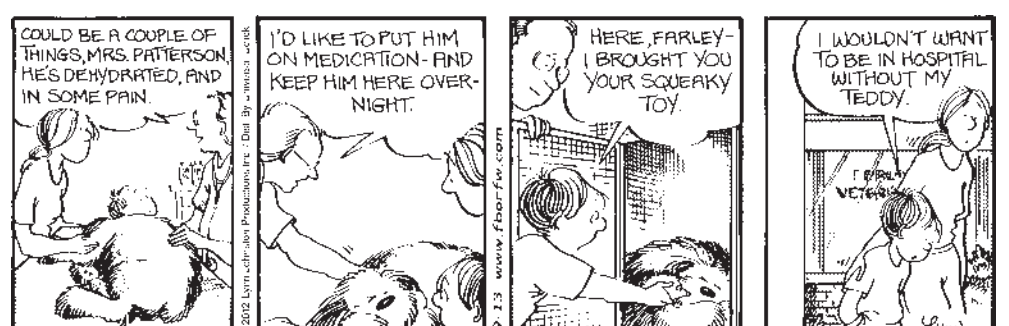
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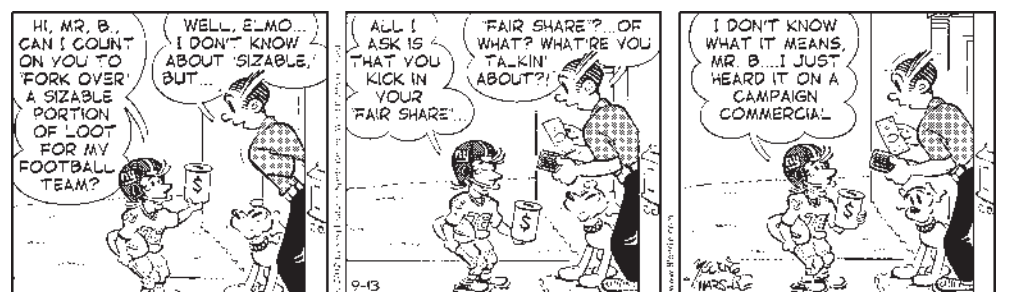
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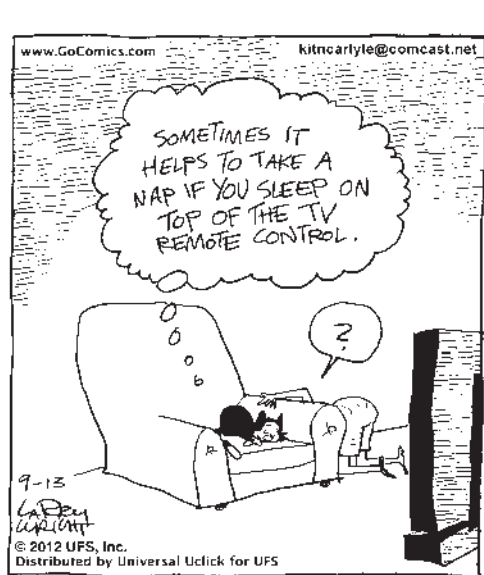
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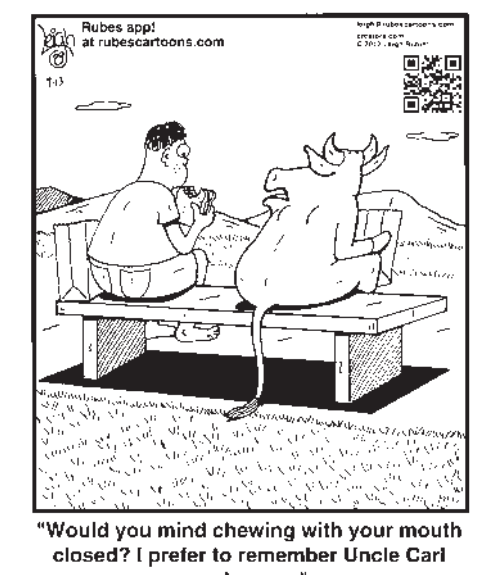
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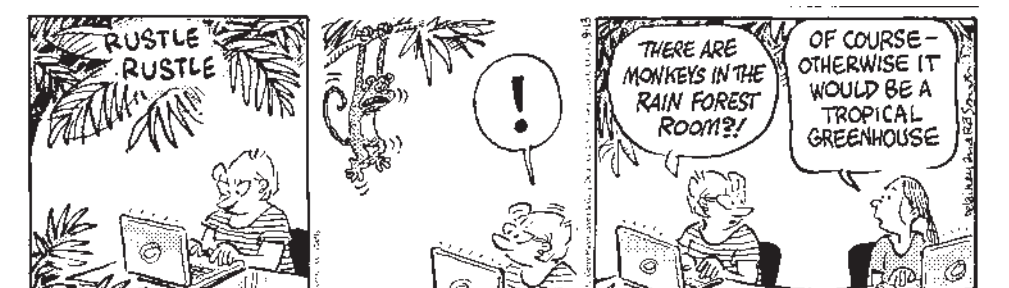
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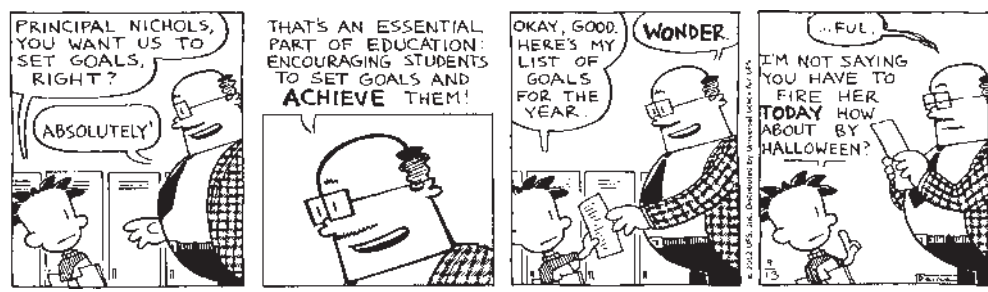
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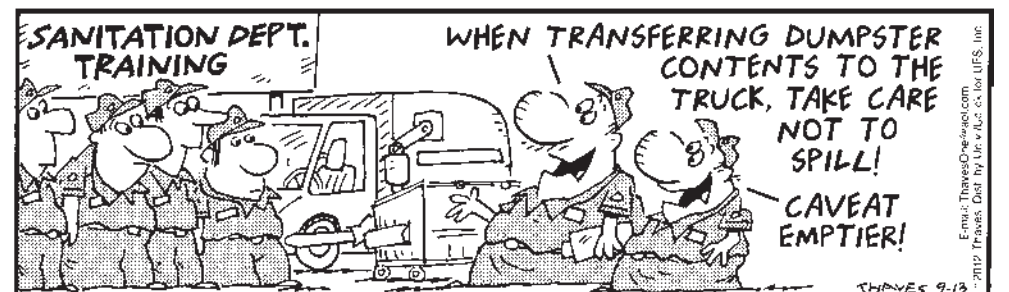
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